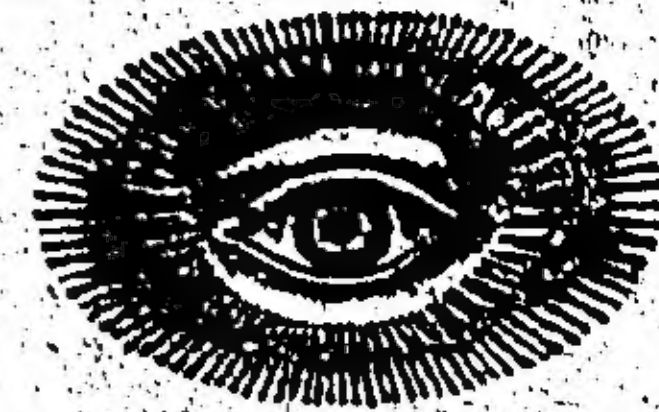


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## Our London Letter.

### THE LIBEL SUIT AGAINST LORD GLADSTONE.

#### REPUTATIONS OF FAMOUS PUBLIC MEN.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, February 5th.  
All the talk in London this week has centred round the libel case brought by Captain Peter Wright against Lord Gladstone. A British jury has non-suited the plaintiff. Captain Wright brought the action against Lord Gladstone for a statement contained in a letter addressed to the Committee of the Bath Club. This letter was a sequel to a previous letter published in the Press in which Lord Gladstone called Captain Wright a liar, a coward, and a foul fellow. For writing in a recent book that Mr. W. E. Gladstone, the famous Liberal Prime Minister, was a licentious hypocrite. The jury added to their verdict a rider which stated: "The jury are of the unanimous opinion that the evidence which has been placed before them has completely vindicated the high moral character of the late Mr. W. E. Gladstone."

#### Interest in the Trial.

There was enormous public interest in the law case. Lord Gladstone, who is the youngest son of the "Grand Old Man," is over seventy, and he showed himself wonderfully alert in the witness box. His action in coming forward to defend the memory of his father, who has been dead for nearly thirty years, won the sympathy of the general public. In his lifetime Mr. Gladstone was most bitterly assailed over a long course of years on account of his political opinions, but no aspersion was ever cast on his private conduct. His domestic life was happy, and his character free from reproach. It came, therefore, somewhat as a shock when Captain Wright made the charge of immorality against him.

The surprising thing is that any man sitting down to write a book as Captain Wright has done, should have accepted as facts mere tit-bit and idle gossip which he collected hearing as a boy at school. There was nothing from first to last, as the proceedings in Court showed, that deserved a moment's consideration by any responsible person. The popular view here is that Captain Wright is a little bit unbalanced—that he has "a screw loose," as the saying is. He seems to have been obsessed by the idea that anything that was ever said or hinted at in conversation to the detriment of Mr. Gladstone was evidence of moral turpitude. It would be intolerable if people were to be free to besmirch the reputations of great men, who have passed away. In English law you cannot libel the dead; but the present case proves that while this may be the legal aspect of the matter there are nevertheless means of retaliation against mud-slingers.

Since the war a number of books have been published which have impugned the fair fame of distinguished men. The general view of the public is that the time has arrived when this sort of thing should be restrained in the interests of public life. Already Captain Wright's book has been withdrawn from publication; and it can be consigned to deserved oblivion.

#### "The Farmer's Wife."

With 1,329 performances to its credit, Mr. Eden Philpotts' Devonshire comedy, "The Farmer's Wife," finished its career at the Court Theatre a few nights ago. Only four plays have enjoyed longer runs in this country—"Chu Chin Chow" (2,238 performances), "The Beggar's Opera" (1,463), "Our Boys" (1,352) and "The Maid of the Mountains" (1,352).

The amazing success of "The Farmer's Wife" forms one of the most interesting romances in Theatreland. When on March 11th, 1924, Sir Barry Jackson produced it at the theatre in Sloane Square the comedy had been "going the rounds" for years. It played for the first fifteen weeks to a loss of nearly \$4,000, but Sir Barry Jackson had sufficient faith in its merits to persevere—and from that time onwards the production developed into a phenomenal success.

An extraordinary thing in connection with this play was that the author, Mr. Eden Philpotts, never saw it performed. Nothing will induce him to leave his home in Devonshire, and I believe he has not been in London for 18 years. Even his own play, which has poured a fortune into his banking account, was not sufficient inducement to bring him here; and nobody expects that he will come to see another (Continued on next column).

## OIL-KING'S £4,000,000.

### WILL OF VISCOUNT BEARSTED.

#### NO CHARITY REQUESTS.

Viscount Bearsted, the oil king and former Lord Mayor of London, has left a fortune of £4,000,000, "as far as can at present be ascertained."

Probate of the will has been granted to the Alliance Assurance Company, Ltd., who are appointed sole executors.

There are no charitable bequests, Lord Bearsted stating that during his lifetime he made gifts to such societies and institutions. This disposes of the rumour that Lord Bearsted had provided for the rebuilding of the Guildhall.

#### Heirlooms.

The chain given him when he was Lord Mayor in 1903 and certain jewellery and presentation plate are to be handed down as heirlooms. Annuities and legacies are left to relatives and servants, and the remainder of the estate is given to or settled in trust for the children and grandchildren of the testator, the present Viscount Bearsted, the Hon. Mrs. Levy, and the Hon. Mrs. Montefiore and their children.

Viscount Bearsted, who was seventy-three years old, died on January 17th, twenty-four hours after his wife. He founded and was for many years chairman of the Shell Transport and Trading Co. Death duties on a £4,000,000 estate amount to £1,500,000.

### "LADIES' NIGHT."

#### ANOTHER PLEASANT GATHER- ING AT THE Y.M.C.A.

Another of the popular "Ladies' Nights" held once a month during the winter season at the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, took place there last evening.

Ladies who were the guests of resident members attended dinner, prior to the entertainment, which followed in the Lounge. There were about one hundred members and friends at dinner, and at the entertainment at least one hundred and fifty.

The programme given was well up to standard, and, if anything, was even better than those previously presented. There was a lengthy list of items and all were appreciated.

Those contributing to the programme were Mrs. Glen, Mr. and Mrs. McLeod, Mr. F. W. Baldwin, Mr. C. D. Luke and Mr. F. White (vocal items), Mr. R. Baldwin (piano), Mr. R. Baldwin (piano), Engineer-Lieutenant A. S. Bedells. Selections were also provided during the evening by the Ubique Orchestra, and the programme was concluded with the usual amusing competition, which the popular Secretary, Mr. J. H. Hunt, always arranges on these occasions.

play that he has written, "The Blue Comet," to be produced shortly, also at the Court Theatre.

#### Famous Journalist Dead.

Many of the older generation of journalists have heard with regret of the death of Sir William Thomas Madge, at Putney, at age of 81. He began his career as a bank clerk in Plymouth, but soon changed banking for journalism and joined the Western Morning News. In 1866 he came to London on the staff of the Globe, the oldest evening paper, which is now defunct, being for forty years manager and for some time proprietor. He had forgotten more about newspaper management than most of his latter-day contemporaries ever learned. At one time I used to see a good deal of him—a pleasant, reserved, mild-mannered little man, who never got flustered, and had a keen sense of the value of news, and also a high appreciation of good writing. He was created a baronet in 1919.

In his time he brought off several notable "scops." One was the publication on May 30th, 1873, of the terms of the Schouvaloff treaty between Great Britain and Russia, the existence of which had been officially denied. In conjunction with the late Sir George Armstrong, his colleague on the Globe, Mr. Madge determined to establish a popular weekly organ for the propagation of Conservative principles, and in October, 1881, the first number of the People was issued. He prided himself on having secured the confession of the Tichborne claimant and the news of Mrs. Maybrick's reprieve. He was also the first to realise that the first two "Jack the Ripper" murders in East London were committed by the same man.—H.B.

## THE WEEK'S DIARY.

### To-day.

Annual meeting Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.  
Extraordinary general meetings, Union Insurance Society of Canton; British Traders Insurance Co.; and China Fire Insurance Co., Union Building, at noon, 12.15 p.m. and 12.30 p.m. respectively.  
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.  
Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

### Tennis.

(Open) Championships Singles First Round, D. S. Green v. F. A. Redmond; N. Trumlsby v. Capt. E. H. Jack-Lacombe; F. R. Kennedy v. W. J. Howard; Lau Man Kwong v. H. R. Edwards.  
Organ recital, St. John's Cathedral, by Mr. F. Mason, 5.45 p.m.  
H.M.S. Danae Dance Band concert, Seamen's Institute.

### Mr. S. R. Lee's dance party.

Hotel Savoy, 9 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Beverly of Graustark."

World Theatre: "Wild Horse Mesa."

Star Theatre: "The Shock Punch."

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Siberia (Mantua). Outward: Australia and New Zealand, etc. (Tanda), 2.30 p.m.

### Saturday.

Annual Race Meeting concluded. Football and Cricket: Details in Saturday's issue.

Yachting: Managerie Race for Racing Yachts.

Golf: Captain's Cup.

Annual meeting Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd., 11 a.m.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

H.K. Hotel Carnival Night and dinner dance.

Rationalist Press Association Dinner, Hotel Savoy, 8 p.m.

Boxing: 6th Tournament of the H.K. Boxing Association, Theatre Royal, 9 p.m.

Chin Woo Athletic Association annual entertainment.

Queen's Theatre: "Beverly of Graustark."

World Theatre: "Wild Horse Mesa."

Star Theatre: "The Shock Punch."

Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Mantua), 10.30 a.m.; Europe via Siberia (Sinking), 2.30 p.m.

### Sunday.

Fanning Hunt meet Souza's Bungalow, 9.30 a.m.

Ordination of Rev. James Fu, St. John's Cathedral, noon.

Entries close for Kowloon Cricket Club Tennis Tournament.

Yachting: Club v. Ladies.

Golf: Captain's Cup.

Chin Woo Athletic Association annual entertainment.

Social gathering, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 7 p.m. Service men specially welcome.

Principal Mails:—Inward: U.S.A., etc. (President Grant).

### Monday.

Golf: Captain's Cup.

Annual meeting Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd., noon.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Annual Marathon Race, Kowloon, 4.30 p.m.

Annual meeting Victoria Diocesan Association (H.K. Branch), Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

H.M.S. "Hermes" Ball, Hotel Savoy, 9 p.m.

### Tuesday.

Sanitary Board meeting, 4.15 p.m.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

### Wednesday.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

M.C.L. Concert, Helena May Institute, 8.30 p.m.

K.B.S.F.P.A. dance, Central British School, Kowloon.

Principal Mails:—Inward: Canada, and America, etc.; Europe via Vancouver and via Siberia (Empress of Asia), 10 a.m.

### Thursday.

Annual Flower and Vegetable Show, Volunteer Headquarters. Prizes distributed by Lady Clementi, 6.30 p.m.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Musical Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

### To Secretaries.

[Secretaries of clubs and associations, etc., are kindly requested to forward any forthcoming events to the Daily Press for inclusion in the above column, which it is our endeavour to keep as correct and up-to-date as possible.]

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## SUN DEFEATED BY TREACHERY.

### HOW SUN WAS DEFEATED.

#### THE USUAL TREACHERY. BEI BAO SAN "NEUTRAL" AT CRITICAL MOMENT.

The unexpected defection of Bei Bao San, according to trustworthy information was the cause of Marshal Sun's defeat in Chekiang, says the *North-China Daily News*.

Marshal Sun Chuan Fang's defeat was not the result of bad fighting, according to a military expert, who has been watching the armies in the field, but again he was faced by the fact that treacherous generals rob him of victory at the moment when he seems most certain of himself. In the fighting against the Chekiang Provincial Army troops and the Nationalist Army coming from Kiangsi, Marshal Sun was altogether successful. He never faced that part of the Nationalist Army which is coming from Fukien.

General Bei Bao San, upon whom Marshal Sun depended to protect his main attacking force, actually worked his way in the rear of the Nationalists and occupied Chuchow. Local reports that General Bei did not reach Chuchow are erroneous. At that moment, when Marshal Sun expected him to attack and crush the enemy's rear, giving General Meng Chou Yu a free hand to smash their centre, General Bei declared that he was neutral and marched his army into Anhui.

At any rate, that is what he is said to have done and until General Bei is heard from no other explanation for his astonishing conduct is possible.

#### The Old Peiyang Politics.

General Bei Bao San, Defence Commissioner at Haichow, was originally a follower of Chang Hsun. Like so many other Chang Hsun men, he fell into the camp of Feng Kuo Chang and eventually became subordinated to Li Hsun and Chi Hsieh Yuan, when they were Tsuchas at Nanking. His affiliations there have always been with the Peiyang Military Party and he must, therefore, at heart, be at variance with Fengtien. Whenever the Peiyang Military Party, for one reason or another, allies itself to Fengtien, there is the possibility of treachery.

Marshal Sun Chuan Fang does not beyond the Peiyang nor even to the Chihli branch of that party of which General Bei Bao San is a member. He is a member of no group, having won his way to the top by sheer hard fighting. To keep the support of Peiyang men, he has paid them well.

Marshal Sun's position is that he has 60,000 men left, most of whom are fairly good soldiers, but his officers are not worth much. He is short in leadership, both military and civilian. He can make a stand at Sungkiang and Hsueh and can hold both positions for a very long time, as did General Lu Hsiang Hsing in 1925, but he must use every available man and must therefore, leave Nanking undefended.

The danger to him would be that Nanking might be invaded either by the South or by some of these Chihli generals who are looking for a place. He has, therefore, arranged with Marshal Chang Tsung Chang to despatch 20,000 troops to hold Nanking for him. He is said to be paying Marshal Chang approximately \$600,000 a month to hold northern Kiangsu, Nanking and part of Anhui and Marshal Chang is not interfering with civil affairs or tax collections in this area.

In addition, Marshal Sun has invited General Lu Kuo Shan, the best general he ever had, to leave his retirement in Tientsin and to return to Nanking to help him reorganize his army. General Lu has returned to Nanking and is reorganizing four divisions to defend Kiangsu province.

The defence is now to be completely co-ordinated with Marshal Chang Tso Lin's in Honan. Marshal Chang Tsung Chang's troops are expected to take Kai-feng within a few days and to make themselves masters of Honan. As there is absolute co-operation between Marshal Sun and the Fengchun, it is not likely that any treachery will come from that direction.

#### WU ADMITS HIS HELPLESSNESS.

#### ADVISES SUSPENSION OF ADVANCE INTO HONAN.

#### CHANG REFUSES.

PEKING, Feb. 21st.  
Indirect admission that he is helpless in the hands of his subordinates is made by Marshal Wu Pei Fu in a recent telegram to Marshal Chang Tso Lin. The Chihli leader says: "To Marshal Chang: Your two messages have been noted. You did not advise me beforehand of the advance of your troops into Honan."  
(Continued on next column.)

### GENERAL DUNCAN AT SHANGHAI.

#### INSPECTION OF BRITISH LINE. AIR FORCE ARM ON BOARD "MEGANTIC."

On Saturday evening the transport *Megantic* arrived in Shanghai, berthing at the Hongkew Wharf, says the *North-China Daily News* of last Monday. Aboard of her were Major-General Duncan, C.B., C.M.G., C.V.O., D.S.O., the Commander of the Shanghai Defence Force, his General Staff Officer No. 1, Colonel Viscount Gort, V.C., D.S.O., M.V.O., M.C., and his General Staff Officer No. 2, Major the Hon. P. G. Scarlett, M.C. In addition there were two infantry battalions, the 1st Battalion of the Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment and the 2nd Battalion of the Border Regiment.

While Major-General Duncan took up his residence at the Astor House Hotel, the other members of the staff remained aboard the transport, and there at 8.30 yesterday morning General Duncan held a conference with the Colonel-Commandant and staff of the Jhansi Brigade. Immediately following this General Duncan proceeded to the western district and made an inspection of the line of defence taken up by the Jhansi Brigade.

It has not yet been announced where the headquarters of the Defence Force will be situated.

#### The New Battalions.

Again a tremendous amount of interest was taken by the populace of the Settlement in the arrival of the two new English battalions, and there was a great hope on the part of many that they would be seen marching through the streets. As a matter of fact the billets for these troops are not yet in readiness for occupation, and for the time being they will remain aboard ship. This morning (Monday) they will have a route march through the Settlement, probably between 10 and 12 o'clock, thereafter returning aboard.

With reference to the report that after landing the headquarters of the Defence Force the *Megantic* would return to Hong Kong with the battalions, a disavowal there, we learn that nothing of the kind is contemplated, and that as soon as possible accommodation will be found for these men in Shanghai. Aboard the *Megantic* is also a detachment of the Fleet Air Arm.

The Hongkew wharf presented an extraordinarily interesting sight, hundreds of foreign men, women and children proceeding thither to see the troops. The usual business between the hawkers and the soldiers went on, and a brisk trade was done with the foreign populace who purchased tins of cigarettes which were shied up to the men on deck. All were in excellent spirits and obviously much pleased with the reception accorded to them.

Although I had repeatedly advised my men to avoid clashes, but such are inevitable as they are in a state of panic. I can take a charitable view of your act, but at the same time I must admit that I am in an extremely difficult position.

During the past few months you have advanced the view that your troops must pass through Honan in order to launch an attack on Hupeh. I have not been able to accept this proposal, though strongly pressed many times, because it is difficult to move my 100,000 men from various points along the Peking-Hankow Railway. However, I did attempt a reorganization of my army which cost me more expenses than I could bear. This I trust you know very well.

The troops in Honan are of the most heterogeneous character. They do not listen to my orders. Indeed, if they did, they must have recaptured Wuhan long ago. Now that your troops are advancing South, I am really at a loss to command them to take the same attitude as I do. Regardless of the question of territory, I must say that those troops depend upon me for their existence.

It is difficult to avoid trouble if sufficient time is not allowed me to tackle this question. If force is used, it is feared that before your army reaches Hupeh misfortune will befall Honan. This will be disastrous to the general situation.

We have been allied in the anti-Red cause for a year and a half and should not allow one step to wreck the uncompleted work. This is why I speak to you so plainly. I again advise you to suspend the movements of your troops pending definite arrangements being reached. My delegates, P. G. Scarlett, to the capital—Signed Wu Pei Fu. Marshal Chang already has replied to the above telegram, saying that he cannot halt the advance of his army.—Kuo Wen.

### MARSHALS SUN AND CHANG TSUNG CHANG CONFER.

#### UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO WRECK TRAIN FROM NANKING.

#### BOTH SIDES DIGGING IN AT SUNGKIANG.

Marshal Sun Chuan Fang and Marshal Chang Tsung Chang arrived in Shanghai early yesterday morning, travelling from Nanking together by train in perfect amity, says the *N.C. Daily News* of February 29th.

The train on which the generals travelled proceeded at the slow rate of between 10 and 15 miles an hour, a precaution adopted because of threats of Kuomintang men that they would endeavour to wreck the train by the removal of fishplates and rails. The passenger service was also obliged to travel at the same rate.

Marshal Sun is reported to have applied for permission from the Municipal Authorities to enter the International Settlement for the purpose of going to his own residence. We understood that the permission will be granted him. He is, however, remaining at Lung-bun, whereas Marshal Chang Tsung Chang has taken up his residence in Bubbling Well Road.

#### Russian Armoured Trained.

Information reached Shanghai on February 27th afternoon that the Russian-trained armoured train belonging to Marshal Chang was being put across the Yangtze to run on the lines in Kiangsu.

Large quantities of ammunition are being moved over from the Shanghai-Nanking Railway to the Hangchow line, but no troops have moved southward by rail except Marshal Chang Tsung Chang's bodyguard, and they are now stationed at Lungbun.

Observers express the opinion that if the Southerners desire to continue fighting they will go northward west of the Taihu Lake, over the traditional route by Hsueh. East of the lake the whole country is under water as the result of the last week or so's heavy rains, and the only means of moving troops is by rail or along the track.

At Sungkiang both sides are digging in, indicating no present intention on either side to make much of a move.

#### Estimate of the Forces.

A full day was spent by both Marshals at Sungkiang reviewing the troops. It is impossible to get an exact estimate of the numbers of these. But, by the best available information, Marshal Sun has about 35,000 men in the Sungkiang sector, about 5,000 in Shanghai and Woosung under the command of Li Pao Chang, the Defence Commissioner, and a number of recruits apart from his personal bodyguard consisting of 500 men. Marshal Chang brought with him 1,000 men, 200 of whom were Russians and 300 his bodyguard, whilst General Pih Shou Chen is said to have 12,000 men (single) in the district, in addition to another 8,000 posted along the Shanghai-Nanking Railway line, all ready to be brought to Shanghai whenever their services are required. General Chou Yen, former Tuppen of Fukien, commands 2,000 men, who are stationed at Mingboing.

#### Attempt to Derail Train.

An attempt was made to derail the train bringing the two Marshals but this was discovered in good time and when the Marshals' train arrived at the spot the necessary repairs had been made. The spikes holding down the rails at a point near Huanglin and Changchow had been moved.

Bridge 21 of the Shanghai-Hangchow Line was blown up by the retreating Allied troops on Friday morning and a section of the track was torn up. Why this was done is not known as very little rolling stock is held by the Southern Army under General Ho Ying Ching. To make things worse, the telegraph and telephone wires have also been cut near Kashi.

Although the train service to Hangchow is entirely suspended, the Nanking Railway is running, as nearly as possible, a normal service. Several assaults on railway employees by troops of both the Allied and Shantung armies have been reported—one at Chinkiang, another at Nanking and two in Shanghai. General Li Pao Chang, the Commissioner of Defence, has issued orders forbidding all steamers, irrespective of nationality, to enter the port after 6 p.m. unless they have first obtained from him a "Tungkuocheng" (special port entry pass). He announces that he will not hold himself responsible for any damage sustained by ships who fail to observe this notice.

Numerous refugees continue to pour into the Settlement from the outlying districts, Nantao, Chapei, the City, Kuo-changmiao Arsenal, Sze-wan, etc., and a number of merchants have actually closed their shops for fear of looting. The authorities have assured them by proclamation that there is no need to fear.



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Do.	1,100 x div. buy.
Chartered Bank	221 nom.
Mercantile Bank, A & B	235 nom.
Do.	213 nom.
P. & O. Bank	224 buy.
East Asia Bank	274 sel.
Canton Insurance	380 buy.
China Underwriters	380 nom.
North China Ins.	114 1/2 nom.
Yankee Insurance	325 sel.
China Fire Insurance	320 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	315 buy.
Donghai	331 nom.
Steamboats	325 sel.
Hong Kong Tugs	31.10 nom.
Indo-China (Freight)	430 sel.
Do. (1st)	187 nom.
Shanghai Tugs	35 1/2 buy.
Waterworks	34 buy.
China Sugars	32 sel.
Malayan Sugars	33 nom.
Benguet	130 nom.
Kailash Mining Ad.	25 nom.
Langkate (combined)	14 1/2 nom.
Do. (single)	15 nom.
Siam Exploitation	14 1/2 nom.
Shanghai Loans	112 nom.
Rauha	34 sel.
Troms Mines	21/2 buy.
Ural Caspian	8 nom.
H. K. & W. Wharves	106 x div. sel.
H. K. & W. Docks	340 nom.
Hongkong	140 nom.
New Engineering	114 1/2 buy.
Shanghai Docks	114.101 buy.
H. K. & S. Hotels	37 1/2 buy, 7.90 sel.
H. K. Lands	350 nom.
Hong Kong Realty	351 buy.
H. K. Territorials	32 sel.
Humphreys Estates	312 buy.
Prince's Buildings	335 nom.
Kwai Lok	314 sel.
Two Cottons	114.24 sel.
Oriental	114.24 nom.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	114.64 buy.
Do. (new)	114.27 buy.
China Buses	114.24 nom.
H. K. Tramways	331 buy.
Peak Tram (old)	114.24 buy.
Do. (new)	114.24 buy.
Singapore Tractors	137 sel.
Taxis	81 sel.
Amusements	118.60 buy.
Canton Loss	35 nom.
Cement (combined)	37 buy.
Do. (old)	36 sel.
Do. (new)	31 1/2 nom.
China Lights (comb.)	114.14 nom.
Do. (old)	114.14 nom.
Do. (new)	37 buy.
China Freights	34.65 sel.
Constructions	32.30 nom.
Dairy Farms	1171 nom.
Der A Wings	36 nom.
H. K. Electric	3571 buy.
Macao Electric	350 nom.
H. K. Ropes (old)	310 sel.
Do. (new)	35 sel.
Leas Crawfords	38 nom.
Macintosh	3191 nom.
Sinacres	339 buy.
United Asbestos	320 nom.
Watsons (old)	313 buy.
Wm. Powells	364 nom.
Telephones	35.10 buy, 34 sel.
buy—buyers; sel—sellers; nom—nominal.	

### EXCHANGE.

#### OPENING QUOTATIONS.

March 3rd, 1927.	
On LONDON—	
Telegraphic Transfer	3/
Bank Bills, on demand	2/0 1/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	—
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	—
Credit, at 4 months' sight	2/1 1/16
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/1 8/16
On PARIS—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1240
Credit, 4 months' sight	1315
On NEW YORK—	
Bank Bills, on demand	48 1/2
Credit, at 60 days' sight	50 1/2
On BOMBAY—	
Telegraphic Transfer	134
Bank Bills, on demand	134
On CALCUTTA—	
Telegraphic Transfer	134
Bank Bills, on demand	134
On SHANGHAI—	
Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight	nom.
On YOKOHAMA—On demand	89
On MANILA—On demand	87 1/2
On SINGAPORE—On demand	121 1/2
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Changkat Serdangs	10.50
Glenahies	2.53
Jerams	1.00
Kedahs	4.00
Jimahs	2.80
Lunas	4.10
Malaka Pindas	2.70
Malakoffs	4.50
New Serendangs	5.20
Pajams	2.60
Sandereffs	3.15

The following dividends have been declared, viz:—  
Ulu Benut, 12 per cent. Final.  
Perak Rivers 10 per cent. Interim.

### TO-NIGHT'S ORGAN RECITAL.

#### AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

#### BY MR. FREDERICK MASON.

This evening, at 5.45, the third of the series of recitals which have been on behalf of the newly constructed organ fund, will be given at St. John's Cathedral by Mr. Frederick Mason, the Cathedral Organist.

Again a very attractive programme, and one which will please all music lovers, has been compiled. During the singing of a hymn, mid-way through the programme, a collection will be taken for the Organ Fund.

The programme which will be presented is as under:—

- 1.—Andantino in G Minor  
César Franck.

A slight but very effective piece, consisting of a plaintive melody, a contrasted section in the tonic major, and a recapitulation.

- 2.—Allegro Risoluto  
Gustav Merkel.

Gustav Merkel (born 1827, died 1885), was Court Organist at Dresden up to the time of his death. The movement to be played is from his Sonata No. 5, in D.

- 3.—Spring Song  
"From the South"  
Lemare.

A pleasant little piece, in which the lighter steps of the Organ are shown to advantage.

- 4.—Le Cygne  
Saint-Saens.

This is, perhaps, the most popular instrumental composition of this Composer. Its popularity is easily understood when we examine its graceful melody, with the well-contrasted semiquaver accompaniment, and observe the well-devised sequence of the harmonic combinations.

- 5.—Tone-Poem—"Finlandia"  
Sibelius.

Another familiar composition, which has attained a wonderful popularity and needs little comment. It seems to be the outpouring of the life and feelings of a nation, and the mind of the listener is quick to respond to this human touch. The middle theme, almost like a folk-song in character, is a perfect specimen of pure melody.

- 6.—Rhapsody, No. 2, in D Minor  
Alec Rowley.

An attractive work by a British composer of the modern school. The movement is full of changing moods and the various ideas portrayed, though brief, are always musical.

- 7.—(a) The Holy Boy  
John Ireland.  
(b) Alpine Sketch, Cyril Scott.

(a) This beautiful movement proves even more acceptable upon the organ than upon the piano, for which it was originally written.  
(b) A dainty, descriptive fragment, as its title implies.

- 8.—Finale, En Forme D'Ouverture  
Hollins.

A well-written work, bright and vigorous.

### LAWN TENNIS.

#### UNITED SERVICES "AT HOME."

MRS. LUARD GIVES AWAY PRIZES.

The annual "At Home" of the United Services Recreation Club was held yesterday on the grounds of the Club at Gun Club Hill, Kowloon. In spite of the dull weather many members and ladies were present and an enjoyable time was spent. Tea and refreshments were served during the afternoon and the band of 52nd Punjab rendered selections.

Four finals were played off and some good tennis was witnessed. The most interesting match was the one between Mrs. Tottenham and Miss Robinson, champion and runner-up respectively of the Open Singles Championship of the Colony for Ladies, in the Club's Open Ladies' Championship. Mrs. Robinson was in form yesterday and seemed to have improved her game since she lost to Mrs. Tottenham last January. She won the first set, but Mrs. Tottenham's courtcraft then began to tell and she won the following two sets.

In the Mixed Doubles, Mr. and Mrs. Tottenham, who were the winners last year, defeated Miss Robinson and Mr. A. B. Raworth in straight sets.

The closest match of the day was the Open Doubles Championship for Ladies in which Mrs. Tottenham and Mrs. Grimble were opposed to Mrs. Miles and Miss Robinson. Mrs. Miles and Miss Robinson won by two sets to one after no less than 37 games had been played.

The Ladies' Singles Handicap was won by Mrs. Miles who defeated Miss Tyrwhitt, daughter of the Admiral, by two sets to one.

The final of the Ladies' Doubles Handicap was unfinished, rain stopping play after the first set.

At the end Mrs. Luard distributed the prizes to the successful competitors.

The following were the results: Open Singles Championship for Ladies: Mrs. Tottenham beat Miss Robinson, 4-6, 6-0, 6-2.

Open Doubles Championship for Ladies: Mrs. Tottenham and Mrs. Grimble beat Mrs. Miles and Miss Robinson, 5-7, 9-7, 6-3.

Mixed Doubles Championship: Mr. and Mrs. Tottenham beat Miss Robinson and Mr. Raworth, 6-4, 6-4.

Ladies' Singles Handicap: Mrs. Miles beat Miss Tyrwhitt, 3-6, 6-4, 6-4.

### H.K.C.C. TOURNAMENT.

#### Rain Interrupts Opening Matches.

The start was made yesterday in the annual tournament of the Hong Kong Cricket Club. Two open singles matches were begun, but the rain stopped play.

E. C. Fincher and M. K. Lo had divided two sets when play was stopped. Lo took the first set with- out the loss of a game, but Fincher retaliated and won the second 8-2.

In the other match, Grosz lost the first set to Hung Hui Chen and four games were shared in the second set when play was stopped. Both matches will be replayed.

### Player Scratches.

#### C. W. Cheng, one of the youngest Chinese players, has given a walk over to Lu Tak Lam, his Club mate, in the first round.

Today's Matches.

Weather conditions are not likely to be favourable for tennis to-day, the weather forecast states: "Cloudy, with mist or drizzle."

Should the weather prove kind, the matches arranged are as under: Open Championship Singles.

First Round.

D. S. Green v. F. A. Redmond.  
N. Trambitzky v. Capt. E. H. Jack-Larkom.  
F. R. Remedios v. W. J. Howard.  
Lau Man Kwong v. H. R. Edwards.

### CRICKET NOTES.

After three days of the Races, with the excitement and hopes engendered in most of us by the chances in the Sport of Kings, it is somewhat refreshing to return to the contemplation of the sport of ordinary people. I cannot, however, omit a reference to the great pleasure which all cricketers have received owing to the recent success of Mr. Dynasty in winning the Championships. He brings to aid him in the difficult job of ownership that sportsmanship and cheerful acceptance of bad luck with which we are so well acquainted on the cricket field, and there is not one of us who does not wish as many wins to the owner of the red and gold colours as future centuries.

To all intents and purposes the interest in the First Division of the League ended last Saturday. The victory of Kowloon and the draw between the Civil Service and the Borderers have more or less decided the issue, short of miracles happening.

Last Week's Matches.

Kowloon won on their merits. They started atrociously, as Brace was caught at the wicket from a poor stroke off the first ball of the match while E. F. Fincher was bowled-neck and crop with the second. Ramsay ran himself out.

After a life improved things with Lyal who had kept up the other end and finally got a nice 43. Macaskill, however, I am told gave the best exhibition, hitting the ball very hard and very cleanly. The only reason I can find for the utter collapse of the Indian batting is that they have not played a League game for some time and must have lost their grip! Lyal and Goodwin bowled excellently but that is no excuse for such a total lack of fight. But apparently the Kowloon lions to whom I referred last week were in a particularly keen mood.

The C.S. and K.O.S.B. match was rather unsatisfactory as it did not begin until 2.30 p.m. I understand, however, that some of the visitors did not finish their duties until 9 p.m. and in these days it can't be helped. Even so, the Civil Service should have won. They rattled up 208 for 4 wickets in an hour and a half. Sayer, apart from an easy chance early on, for a and b, played yet another beautiful innings and but for lack of time would have no doubt completed his century, and then some! Evans, however, was right to declare.

First Wicket Stand.

Thorpe and Hanley saved their side. They played really good cricket and were not separated until nearly one hundred runs were on the board, both of them hitting the ball well in the middle of the bat. Each gave one chance only. With 35 or so on the board, Thorpe gave a chance at the wicket off Hamilton, but it was very hard as the ball was deflected downwards. While Hanley in the seventies drove Sayer hard and low to Hamilton at mid-on, but the fieldman failed to realize how fast it was and dropped the catch. Even so it was a touch and go, but the last two batsmen defended gamely in the semi-darkness. It is, I think, as well that there was no decision for the light was absurd. But no one liked to appeal as there was quite a chance of the batsmen getting the runs.

Beauty In Form.

As I anticipated the Navy were far too strong for the Chinese as Beauty had one of his "on" days. This seems to be becoming a habit with him now, and he is bowling every bit as well as he did when he first came out.

The University at home had not much difficulty in disposing of the Gunners, but they have not had a very good season. But there is talent coming on and we have not seen the best of Gibbins and the Zimmers. I do wish, however, they could get a bit more match practice on grass wickets.

Second Division.

The K.C.C. II. v. Recreation match was off, and the only game played was a friendly between the Police and Tamar which was won by the former by 2 wickets.

The match upon the Club ground was only an inter-club game as the Sappers could not get away to play. It was remarkable for extremely low scoring. At one time Vallack had the surprising analysis of 7 overs, six maidens, six wickets and one run. And that same run was a chance albeit difficult. He has improved remarkably this year and I am inclined to regard him as a candidate for Interport honours in the next match. It appears, however, at the present a bit doubtful if a team will be able to go up to Shanghai this May, as presumably would be the case under normal conditions.

Mid-Week Cricket.

Cricket enthusiasts, who do not hanker after the delights of racing took advantage of the (I believe entirely unofficial) holidays which we in Hong Kong always take on Race days. On Monday the Volunteers met a team of the Rest of the League. It was a strong enough team, though not entirely representative, but it was not good enough. The Volunteers apparently had a sort of holding feeling and rattled up 540 for five, Mitchell (79).

(Continued on next Column).

### LOCAL RUGBY FOOTBALL.

#### FIRST MATCH PLAYED LAST EVENING.

Yesterday evening, the first of the series of weekly rugby matches, arranged by the Hong Kong Rugby Football Club, was played at Happy Valley.

The game was between the Club and the Engine Room Artificers of the Fleet, and resulted after a very keenly contested game on a slippery ground, in a win for the Club by 12 points to 11 points.

Rothwell (3) and Evans (1) scored for the Navy, and Lammet scored all the tries for the Club.

The teams were as under:—  
Club: Armstrong, Pritchard, Bowker, Lloyd, Lammet, King, Wales, Miller, Foster, Lithgow Smith, Middleton Smith, Garrard, Lee, Williams, Beveridge.

E.R.A.: Reppington, Rothwell, Arches, Gales, and Kibblewhite; Northwood and Duckworth; Davies, McTaggart, Macdonald, Mill, Stobart, Hathaway, Evans, and Billings.

### HOME FOOTBALL.

#### LEAGUE MATCH RESULTS.

LONDON, March 2nd.  
Matches played yesterday in the English and Scottish Leagues resulted as follows:—

Division I.  
Everton 2, Wednesday 1.  
Division II.  
South Shields 3, Bradford C. 3.  
Division III. (Southern).  
Bournemouth 1, Brighton 0.  
(Division III. (Northern).  
Wrexham 2, Wigan 0.  
Scottish League.  
Dundee Un. 1, Hamilton 2.

Owen Hughes (37) and Ramsay (41 not out) being chief scorers. The Combined League were all out for 51. Five bowlers were tried and bowled 40 overs so the rate of scoring was pretty slow!

On Tuesday it was the other way about and the Volunteers were all out for 51—of which Ramsay got 41—against a total of 167 by Ram-jahn's side. The Club de Recreio kindly lent their ground for the occasion.

On Wednesday the pendulum had swung again and the Volunteers simply ate up a very useful United Services side, making 175 for 5 wickets. The Services had batted first and scored 46, the innings closing for 9 wickets as Captain Thorp was unable to get away in time. In their second innings they ran into Vallack at his best, and only got to 78. Vallack's analysis is worth reproducing:—

Overs. Maidens. Runs. Wickets.  
14 5 18 9  
A very fine performance.

To-morrow's Games.

C.R.C. are at home to the Hong Kong Club though perhaps the fixture was played off at the beginning of the season. When the Club were beaten on the Saturday that Kowloon played the Shanghai eleven. As to-morrow is the off day of the races this is very possible and I hope to check this before these notes finally go to press.

I frankly don't understand the card. Kowloon are down as at home to the Gunners. Actually they are due for a friendly with the Club, though I hear that efforts are being made to re-arrange the game with the Gunners.

Second Division.

The K.C.C. v. Ordinance game is off, I am told, as the latter cannot get away. I don't wonder! They and the Sappers must have their hands pretty full. The "Variety" are at home to the Police by the card and on their own wicket the game should be a very close one.

C.S.C.C. have a friendly with the Indians, both first and second teams. C.S.C.C. first play away and the second at home but the former team will possibly not be up to full strength.

Later—I find that the Club v. C.R.C. match early in the season was a league match and the card is in error both as regards this and as regards the K.C.C. and R.A. match. On the revised fixture list on the Club board they are down to play Kowloon to-morrow in a friendly.

R. ABBIT.

### TEAMS FOR TO-MORROW.

#### I.R.C. 2nd v. Civil Service.

This League match will be played on the Civil Service ground at 2 p.m.

I.R.C.:—Sirdar Khan (capt.), J. S. Ackbar, M. P. Madar, S. A. R. Ismail, Y. T. Mans, A. S. Ismail, A. K. Minu, A. R. Minu, J. Hassan, A. S. Sufiad, and H. D. Ramjahn.

Civil Service:—J. H. B. Nihil (capt.), H. F. Harper, R. S. W. Westlake, R. C. Witcomb, H. F. Westlake, A. R. Sutherland, H. E. Strange, R. R. Davies, O. Sara. Reserves: P. P. O'Neill and T. W. Carr.

Civil Service v. I.R.C.

The game will be played on the Indian ground at 2 p.m. to-morrow.

Civil Service:—B. D. Evans (capt.), G. R. Sayer, A. E. Wood, E. C. Fincher, F. Baker, B. Jones, F. J. de Rome, F. J. Ling, F. E. Lawrence, F. H. Holdman and A. N. Other.

### TO-MORROW'S RACES.

#### THE HANDICAPS.

The following are the handicaps for the races to-morrow (Saturday):—

The Tytam Handicap.

Smoke Call	150 lbs.
Fire Call	152 "
Pottenbush	153 "
Bashak	140 "
Borderer	153 "
Yorks	153 "
Tangle	167 "
Lochaber	145 "
Loch Tummel	155 "
King Alan	160 "
Solative Eve	152 "
Solative Eve	150 "
The Grig	155 "
Kom Tong Hall	167 "
Tit Mouse	148 "
White Mouse	155 "
Sugar Leaf	153 "
Skidoo	157 "
Scooter	155 "
River II	153 "
Min River	152 "
Foxtrot	149 "
Grosvener	151 "
Perversity	155 "
Clire	155 "
Bagira	159 "
Kwong Chow	149 "
Dario	149 "
Bing Boy	153 "
Mountain Fox	153 "
The George and	
Vulture	148 "
Salt Cellar	149 "

The Hong Kong Handicap "A" Class.

Brigade Call	184 lbs.
San Francisco Bay	173 "
Elliot Bay	173 "
Chesapeake Bay	173 "
San Diego	152 "
King of England	164 "
King of the Plains	152 "
Battle Eve	164 "
Misty Eve	170 "
Bengal	164 "
The Gomeril	181 "
The Gnome	143 "
The Gezer	152 "
Sunburst Rose	155 "
Attabor	164 "
Simon Boy	143 "
September	149 "
Ukelle	152 "
Canadain	167 "
Grande del Norte	153 "
Saucy Sue	158 "

The Hong Kong Handicap "B" Class.

Grey Knight	153 lbs.
Grey Streak	149 "
Elli Brewer	153 "
More Better	149 "
Reckabite	146 "
Loch Rannoch	146 "
Total Abstinence	158 "
Grey Morn	158 "
Spotted Sand	153 "
Bright Eve	160 "
The Ghost	161 "
The Ghoul	158 "
Laceda II	158 "
August	146 "
Dobbin	155 "
Dolly	155 "
Foxtrot	146 "
Mowgli	140 "
Lead Luck	158 "
Olo Custom	158 "
Southampton	152 "
Espario	162 "
Saracen	152 "
Salvo	143 "
Semaphore	143 "

### GYPSIES WIN CHINESE CLUB DERBY.

#### A REAL LIFE ROMANCE.

The troupe of Argentine gypsies, now in the Colony, who were given fourteen days' grace before expulsion from the Colony, have won the second prize of the Chinese Club Derby Sweep, totalling \$28,000.

### THE KOWLOON MARATHON.

#### NINETY ENTRIES FOR MONDAY'S RACE.

NEARLY ALL SERVICE COMPETITORS: ONLY TWO CIVILIANS.

The seventh annual Kowloon Marathon Race under the auspices of the St. Andrew's Young Men's Club is to be held, as previously mentioned, on Monday afternoon, a start being made from outside the Church Hall, Nathan Road, at 4.30 sharp.

The Committee was confronted with a record entry of well nigh ninety, the majority coming from the Borderers' and quite a large number from H.M. ships.

The only civilians are Mr. Middleton-Smith, Jr., and Mr. Charles Figueroa.

Owing to the large number of entries the Committee asks all competitors to be at the St. Andrew's Church Hall by 4 p.m.

In previous years only three silver prizes were offered, but with so many entries the Committee is giving prizes for the 4th and 5th men home.

### KOWLOON GOLF CLUB.

#### THE HOLDER WINS THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

In the final of the Kowloon Golf Club Championship, over 36 holes, F. E. Remedios, the holder, beat K. S. Robertson by 4 up and 3 to play.

TO-DAY & TO-MORROW **QUEEN'S** At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20

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### ZANE GREY'S

#### Wild Horse Mesa

#### WORLD

TO-DAY & TO-MORROW At 2.30, 5.15, 7.15, 9.20

### RICHARD DIX

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## "SEND-OFF" TO MR. A. H. FERGUSON.

**LARGE DINNER PARTY AT HONG KONG HOTEL.**

**LEADERS OF CHINESE COMMUNITY AS HOSTS.**

**A REPRESENTATIVE GATHERING.**

Mr. A. H. Ferguson, the manager in Hong Kong of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, who is leaving for a year's furlough on Wednesday next, was entertained to a farewell dinner by the leading members of the Chinese community at the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel last evening.

Mr. Ferguson is returning home via American and is sailing by the *Empress of Asia*. He expects to be back in Hong Kong about this time next year.

**The Hosts.**

The hosts at the dinner were the members of the Committee of the 24 Merchants Guild and their friends. Sir Robert Ho Tung presided and supporting him were the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow and the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotowall, the Chinese representatives on the Legislative Council; Mr. Li Yau Chuen, the Chairman, and Mr. Li Kwei, the ex-Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Ho Kwong, the Chairman of the 24 Merchants Guild; Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. Lo Cheung Shiu, Mr. Ho Kow Tong, Mr. Chan Tin San, Mr. Ho Ki, Mr. Ho Wing, Mr. Ho Leung, Mr. Ho Yu, Mr. To Sze Tuen, Mr. Li Lik Mui, Mr. Yung Tse Ming and many others. The gathering was a representative one of the bankers, rice merchants and principal Chinese business firms in the Colony.

**The Guests.**

Among the guests invited, in addition to the guest of honour, Mr. A. H. Ferguson, were the Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, the Attorney-General; the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs; Mr. A. E. Wood, Director of Education; Lt. Col. Hayley Bell, Commissioner of Chinese Maritime Customs; Mr. R. C. Fredwell, American Consul-General; Mr. J. R. George, who will act as Manager of the Chartered Bank in Mr. Ferguson's absence; Mr. G. M. Young, Mr. Paul Launder, Mr. C. L. Sanders, Mr. G. Hogg, Mr. L. E. Hopkins, Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Mr. R. M. Dyer, Mr. T. G. Weall, Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. P. W. Parker, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar, Mr. A. Cameron, Mr. E. D. Sassoon and Mr. H. E. Priestley.

**The Toast of the Evening.**

The Chairman proposed the health of Mr. Ferguson.

Forty years business association with the Chartered Bank, said Sir Robert Ho Tung, and close friendship with some of those who have directed its destinies in Hong Kong no doubt account for the pressing invitation which I received to preside at this happy function this evening. It gives me much pleasure to accept this invitation and to associate myself with the Chinese merchants and native bankers of Hong Kong, as represented by their important and expansive interests in this Colony, to do honour to our guest this evening. That such a representative association of leading Chinese business men in Hong Kong should desire to testify to the business integrity and the commercial ability of our Guest of Honour, is in itself, I should imagine, a great and coveted testimonial which any business or commercial man would desire to take away with him upon leaving the Colony.

We are hearing in these days a great deal of the estrangement between the Chinese and the British. How far there is any fundamental difference, I leave to the good sense of the large number gathered here to-night to answer for me. Speaking for myself, I can only come to one conclusion, that this estrangement and this difference is but superficial and transitory. I am convinced, moreover, that when the present gap is bridged over, the old friendship and trust will be restored to the greater advantage of both. (Applause.)

Mr. Ferguson has studiously avoided the sphere of politics during his residence and association with business affairs in the Far East. There is probably a great deal of wisdom in his standing off from the political arena, tempting as its invitation might be, for, in the magnitude of and the responsibility involved in the undertaking placed in his charge, in a Bank of the standing and importance of the Chartered Bank, and in view of the trying times through which we are passing, it is not difficult to imagine that his time must be wholly devoted to the interests of this great and strong Far Eastern financial institution. Had the last few years been more normal and tranquil and the consequent demand on his time as head of the Bank, less pressing, Mr. Ferguson might have found enough leisure to take a more active interest in politics to the benefit of Hong Kong. But even in the realm of

politics the Chartered Bank is entitled to our unfailing gratitude, for it is due to the untiring energy and patience of one of Mr. Ferguson's predecessors, viz., Mr. T. H. Whitehead, an intimate friend of mine, that greater unofficial representation was obtained on the Legislative Council, which led also to the appointment of unofficial members to the Executive Council. I am happy to think that Mr. Whitehead still takes a very large interest in China, and particularly in Hong Kong affairs, and I am sure that when he learns of this eloquent testimony of Chinese appreciation of his successor, who is leaving us on home leave for one year only, he will recall his China associations with a pleasure which must be enhanced by the knowledge that we have not forgotten and will not forget his valuable services to the Colony. (Applause.)

Though not very much in the public limelight, Mr. Ferguson saw, and is seeing Hong Kong through one of the most critical periods of its existence in the commercial crisis that visited it with so much suddenness in the middle of 1923, and of which we hope we are seeing to-day the first signs of its vanishing into the thin air of unpleasing memory, soon to be forgotten as a thing of the past. During the worst period of the crisis Mr. Ferguson was invited to serve on the Committee for the distribution of the Trade Loan, obtained from the Imperial Government, of £3,000,000 sterling. Amidst the conflicting claims for financial support during the terrible period of financial stringency, the task of the Committee must necessarily have been onerous and difficult, but I feel that Mr. Ferguson was a most valuable asset to that Committee, and that he materially assisted the Government in its general stand for financial stability and cautious but impartial disposition of the available capital.

In the strength of the Chartered Bank, as we see it to-day, Mr. Ferguson gives the greatest evidence of his ability. It should be a proud boast of any Bank Manager that the confidence of Chinese bankers, no less than that of Chinese merchants and traders remains unshaken and unimpaired, if not actually strengthened, by the fact that in the Chartered Bank they see symbolised the greatness and the soundness of British financial power. Among old names associated with the Chartered Bank, I recall names like those of the late Mr. James Whittall, a former Director of the Bank in London, whom I knew for many years and with whose firm I had business relations for a considerable time. Again, the late Sir John Jordan was another outstanding figure who was associated—alas for too short a time—with the members of the Board in London. Sir John, I know intimately, and Sir John typifies the very essence of British friendship to, and sympathy with, China, a fact that cannot be disputed, whether in the narrow confines of Hong Kong, or within the larger sphere of China. (Applause.)

Before Mr. Ferguson came to Hong Kong on promotion, he saw a great deal of service elsewhere. He joined the Bank in London in 1899, three years after he came out to the East and was sent to Sumatra, thence to Penang for nearly two years. From 1903-1908 he was stationed at Taipei and subsequently at Ipoh, a town then coming into prominence from the rich tin-lands in Perak, which were then being developed. From 1909 to 1911 Mr. Ferguson was looking after the Bank's interests in Burmah. In 1911 we welcomed him to Hong Kong for the first time. With the exception of a few months in Tientsin in 1912 he remained in the Colony until 1915 in which year he went on home leave. In 1917 Mr. Ferguson received further promotion to New York, and was sent to the call of the East, going to Peking in 1917 and remained in charge until the year 1920. In the latter year he returned to Hong Kong and remained for the long period of seven years. It was during this time that Mr. Ferguson became better acquainted with the Chinese and they with him, and I make bold to assert that the acquaintance thus formed is one of mutual confidence and respect. (Applause.)

Therefore, gentlemen, when we meet to wish Mr. Ferguson all good luck and a happy reunion with his home and people when he reaches London, we meet in a spirit of friendship, such as I have not, the least doubt, I am expressing not only for myself, but for the Chinese business community in Hong Kong as between the two races in the Colony, who are working together for the benefit of all. I ask you to rise and drink with me heartily to the health and prosperity of Mr. Ferguson. (Loud applause.)

**Mr. Ferguson's Reply.**

Mr. Ferguson, who was given a great reception on rising to reply, said:

I feel I have been set a very difficult task when I try to respond to the toast proposed by Sir Robert Ho Tung. I cannot hope to express adequately my feelings of deep gratitude to you, Mr. Chairman, the Representatives of the 24 Merchants Guild and other Chinese

hosts who have thrust on me this evening such lavish hospitality and the great honour conveyed with it, which I shall never forget. I take it not only as a personal compliment but as a great compliment to the Institution which I represent. Further I do appreciate to the full the kindly fraternising spirit which has induced so many of my friends, Chinese and others, to be present at this function given in honour of my home-going, and the opportunity afforded me of meeting you all in person. No one knows better than myself that the honour is totally undeserved but after the many nice remarks Sir Robert has made about me I am prepared to put them down at their valuation, viz., as further evidence of the magnanimous hearts of the Chinese, and leave it at that.

I am very glad, however, to continue Mr. Ferguson, to find that Sir Robert has found me human. He has mentioned a short-coming—failure to enter the arena of Chinese Politics. If the Chairman refers to my not taking any active part in the Colony's local Administration I plead justification. Men with much better ability have always been available and in any case, I have never been asked. Sir Robert is right in his assumption that my Directors consider my time should be fully employed in looking after the Bank's interests.

I am extremely obliged to Sir Robert for his most kindly remarks regarding Mr. T. H. Whitehead who, retired a few years ago from the General Management of the Bank in London. When I see him at home I shall convey the greetings and I feel certain he will be thrilled to find that, after 23 years absence from Hong Kong, he is still retained in the memory of the Chinese community, to whom he was profoundly attached. (Applause.)

While on the subject of public duties it may not be out of place to refer to the untiring efforts and the unceasing energy which Sir Robert expended in endeavouring to bring about the nationalisation of the currency, what was commonly known as the "Round Table Conference." The scheme was practical enough in the various Tientsin had been prepared to sacrifice their personal aggrandisement and display the same patriotism and love of China which Sir Robert had shown right through in his negotiations. (L.L.)

If we revert to the Colony's local troubles of June, 1925, or even before, we meet the display of the same amount of unflagging zeal, hard solid work—by men who never seem to tire. I refer specially to Sir Shou Son Chow and Dr. Kotowall. It was a source of gratification to us all that the Government recognised what they had performed in the Colony's best interests and on Sir Shou Son Chow was bestowed a Knighthood while Dr. Kotowall was decorated with the C.M.G. (Applause.)

No doubt the 24 Merchants Guild through their President, Mr. Ho Kwong, did noble work but it is almost invidious to mention names when so many Chinese working quietly, without any show or ostentation, and not appearing in the limelight, rendered such meritorious service, and did so much to minimise the effects of what might have been very serious labour troubles continuing over an extended period.

Gentlemen, we cannot hide the fact that the business community in this Colony during the past few years has passed through trying times and although the improvement, so far, is only slight let us hope before long the good sense of the average Chinese will ultimately prevail over Bolsheviki influences and before many moons are gone we shall see ushered into this Colony after more settled conditions in and around Canton, an era of sound business prosperity. (Ld. applause.)

**Toast To The Chairman.**

In closing, I would ask the Guests to rise with me and drink the toast "Our Chinese Hosts coupled with the Chairman, Sir Robert Ho Tung."

Mr. Chan Tin San, also proposed the health of the Chairman, on behalf of the Twenty-Four Merchants Guild, the organisers of the dinner.

I understand, said Mr. Chan Tin San, that Sir Robert was chosen to be the Chairman of each of the successive farewell dinners given by Chinese merchants in honour of the late Sir Thomas Jackson, Mr. Whitehead, and Sir Newton Stubb. It is therefore pleasingly appropriate that he should preside over to-night's gathering. (Applause.)

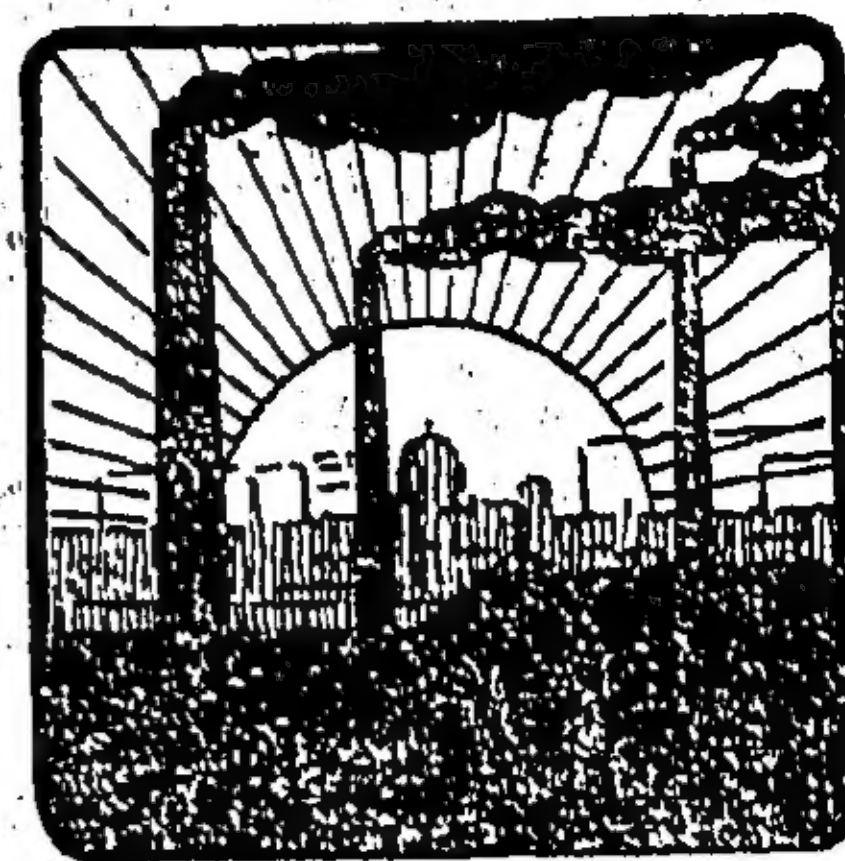
Gentlemen, the mere mention of the part Sir Robert took in these previous social functions serves to remind us that he has been one of the leaders in our commercial community for very much more than a quarter of a century. I feel sure I am speaking on behalf of all the hosts when I say that we are indeed grateful that in spite of his reversed and indifferent health, manifold interests, and innumerable engagements, he did us the honour of accepting the chairmanship to-night, and thus enabled us to do greater honour to our esteemed guest this evening.

I therefore ask my fellow hosts to join with me in drinking a bumper to Sir Robert's health, long life, and prosperity. (Loud Applause.)

The toast was enthusiastically drunk. Sir Robert Ho Tung briefly replied and the proceedings shortly afterwards terminated.

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## LORD HAIG'S APPEAL.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF HONG KONG'S CONTRIBUTION.**

Mr. R. E. Cable, the Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Branch of the British Legion, has received the following letter from Capt. W. E. Wilcox, the Organising Secretary of the Appeal Department of the British Legion:

Dear Sir,—I have received to-day from the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, Gracechurch Street, the sum of £1,517.14.0 which I presume is the contribution from Hong Kong and China, in response to Lord Haig's Appeal on Remembrance Day, November 11th.

Although I have no doubt a letter is on its way from you giving particulars of this very splendid contribution I feel that I should at once send our official receipt and say how deeply Lord Haig appreciates the very valuable help given to the Fund in connection with the appeal, more especially in view of the troubled times through which you are passing in China—as affording the most tangible proof that in spite of many difficulties the public remembers so loyally the sacrifices made by those on whose behalf he appeals.

I look forward to hearing from you, but in the meantime would express our sincere gratitude to all concerned in this splendid contribution.

## A HEARTLESS CHINESE.

**ATTEMPTS TO DUMP SON'S DEAD BODY.**

**HIDING A CASE OF SMALL-POX.**

A heartless Chinese who was caught in the act of dumping the dead body of his son, was brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning.

The charge, said Inspector Blackman, was one of attempting to dump the remains without a permit from the Registrar of Births and Deaths. In reply the man had stated that he was taking the body to the Mortuary.

Police evidence was to the effect that on meeting a Chinese constable in a dark alley in Wanchai, the defendant threw down a sack from his shoulder and ran away. The sack, when opened, was found to contain the dead body of a child. The defendant admitted that it was his infant son, who had died from small-pox.

Defendant was remanded until to-day, bail being allowed in the sum of \$100.



**A HIDDEN THREAT.****NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR RICE RIOTS.****THE QUESTION OF DISCHARGED EMPLOYEES.****DEMONSTRATIONS TO BEGIN TO-MORROW.****[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]**

In reply to the declaration by the merchants that they will no longer be responsible for the board and lodging of *lois* dismissed from service, the Workers' Delegate Conference state that they will not be responsible for any "rice riots" started by the hungry unemployed who may resort to force in order to obtain food.

Even the Kuomintang Press is now beginning to criticise the policy of the present administration. The authorities appear to be unable to decide one way or the other in this dispute between the employers and the discharged employees. Now-a-days the labour unions, because of the forces they control, are able to defy Party orders and the Party seem powerless to have them carried out.

No business has been done for fully a month in certain classes of trade owing to this unfortunate trouble and to-morrow (Saturday) has been fixed as the date when a large body of the unemployed will begin to demonstrate for re-instatement in their former jobs. The merchants are determined to resist this endeavour to make them find work for everyone and anxiety is being felt in official circles regarding the outcome.

The Sun Yat Sen University in Canton, reorganised from the former Kwangtung University, opened for the 1927 session on March 1st with a large attendance. A part of the student body has been interesting itself in agitations also, demanding that the University, being a public institution, should be free to all. A nominal fee is now charged.

Mr. Henry Aki Panhoe, until recently engineer in charge of the Whampoa Light Development project, assumed the office of Commissioner of Public Works of the Canton Municipality on March 1st. Mr. Panhoe is a graduate of an American University and was one time Commissioner of Public Health. He was formerly a very popular baseball player in Honolulu, and for a season or two, while in Hong Kong, he played in the South China baseball team.

At a meeting of athletes in Canton on February 28th it was decided to go into training at once for the coming 8th Far Eastern Olympic meeting to be held in Shanghai next August. A committee is to be organized to raise funds for the Canton contingent.

The local authorities in Kwangtung Province, according to reports from 82 of the 94 districts, are today supporting 11,003 modern schools.

The Board of Charity in Canton is now paying some attention to inmates of the Police Reformatory, and has recommended that a certain number should be released on furlough. Although in a reformatory, some of the prisoners are serving sentences of ten years or more.

The Farmers' League in Kwangtung, an organization of farm hands under the auspices of the Communists Party, now reports a membership of more than 500,000, some 40,000 of whom are boys.

**VICTIMS "CANNOT" IDENTIFY ROBBERS.****SEQUEL TO QUARRY BAY INCIDENT.**

Four Chinese who had been arrested on suspicion in connection with the armed robbery at No. 7, West Street, Quarry Bay, were charged yesterday morning before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy.

The police stated that none of the victims could or would identify the defendants, who were believed to belong to the gang of six who carried out the robbery with daggers. Part of the stolen property was found on two of them.

The case was remanded until Monday, at 2.15 p.m.

**POPULAR POLICE OFFICER.****INSPECTOR BOND LEAVING TO-MORROW.****FAREWELL FROM FORCE AFTER 21 YEARS SERVICE.****TRIBUTES PAID AND PRESENTATION MADE.**

Glowing tributes to Inspector Bond of the Water Police were paid by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain-Superintendent of Police) at a gathering of officers of the Hong Police Force who assembled in the Police Canton yesterday morning to bid farewell to that officer, who is retiring from the Force after twenty-one years' service.

Inspector Bond sails for Home on the P. & O. as *Mantua* to-morrow. Yesterday his colleagues, through the Captain-Superintendent of Police, presented him with a gold watch and chain.

Among the officers present were: Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, D.S.P., and Chief Inspector W. Kent, Divisional Inspector Spear, Inspector Ogg, Inspector Reynolds, acting Inspector Moss, Sub-Inspector Wilson, Sub-Inspector Ellis, Sub-Inspector Andrews, Sub-Inspector Lane, Sergt. Waller, Sergt. Munroe, Sergt. Joy, and Sergt. Hunt.

The Hon. Mr. Wolfe said Inspector Bond had served continuously with the Water Police. Amidst laughter, he commented, it was the one great drawback to the Water Police service that if a man was married he practically had to give up that service, for the simple reason that it was impossible to provide accommodation for wives on board the new cruising launches.

**Inspector Bond's Good Record.** However it was a great pleasure to him to be able to record the excellent service of an officer who had spent his whole time in carrying out duties in connection with that very important branch of the Hong Police Force. He (Mr. Wolfe) was prepared to state that he had known no better man than Inspector Bond. (Applause.) He had shown all the qualities of a seaman which were necessary for that particular work, and his record would show that he had been responsible on more than one occasion for saving life.

Mr. Wolfe then read out Inspector Bond's record. Mr. Bond joined the Police from the Royal Navy in 1906, the year of the big typhoon and became full Inspector, in charge of the Water Police craft, in 1921.

In 1907 he was commended by the Governor for rescuing two men from drowning, and in 1914 the Governor again commended him for meritorious work at a fire at Lai-chikok when one of the Standard Oil Co.'s tanks caught fire. In January, 1917, Inspector Bond was granted a third-class medal by the Governor for meritorious discharge of his duties and for effecting the rescue from the water of coal thieves.

**Lost to Force.**

Inspector Bond was a man of few words and decisive action. That was the type of man they were looking for in the Police, and whose loss they regretted when they had to go. He was again commended by the Captain-Superintendent of Police for the seizure of a junk carrying a large quantity of opium and the arrest of four men.

**Services During Strike.** In 1925, he received another commendation from the Governor for conspicuous and valuable services rendered during the general strike. He might say that had it not been for Inspector Bond, when everybody was defying law and order, the part played by the sampan and lighter men might have been much greater and more serious. By moves which he thought would be effective, he practically succeeded in stopping the sampan and lighter men from going out on strike.

He (Mr. Wolfe) was really genuinely sorry to lose Mr. Bond, and he was quite certain his colleagues were equally sorry. They could only hope that after Mr. Bond had had a good rest at Home he would come to the conclusion that the income tax was still too high (laughter) and therefore he should return to Hong Kong. He himself, could guarantee he would be able to fix up any technical details (laughter) if he returned.

In conclusion, Mr. Wolfe handed the watch and chain to Mr. Bond, and expressed the hope that he would long live to use it. Mr. Bond confessed, amid much laughter, that making a speech was not his strong point, and briefly returned thanks for the gift.

Mr. Wodehouse said he had known Mr. Bond for twenty years, and wished to endorse every word that the C.S.P. had said.

Sub-Inspector Andrews also spoke. At the conclusion of the speeches, all present drank heartily to the health of Mr. Bond, and three rousing cheers were given.

**CORRESPONDENCE.****THE DEFENCE OF MR. ERNEST TREVOR.****[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]**

SIR,—I would ask you to contradict the suggestion that I am conducting the defence of Mr. Ernest Trevor, as my present commercial obligations expressly preclude me from such action.

I felt it would have been unreasonable to refuse his request that I should apply for bail, since his detention rendered it impossible for him to make an application on his own behalf; but I did not apply for a remand (as stated) nor take any other step therein.

It is a matter of regret to me that I cannot aid further, as I understand that financial stringency may compel Mr. Trevor to dispense with legal assistance, and the circumstances appear to be such as to make it desirable that he should receive the legal aid—such as the prosecution will undoubtedly have at their disposal—that would be available to him in the Home Courts.

That there should be in this Colony no Prisoners' Aid Society or similar machinery to assist a Britisher in protecting his liberty and reputation against a criminal charge, is to my mind a very real deficiency, to which the attention of the public ought to be directed.—Yours faithfully,

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**THE SPORT OF KINGS.****[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]**

SIR,—In your issue to-day the phrase "The Sport of Kings" is applied as a description of racing.

In "Handley Cross" Surtees makes Mr. Jerrocks declare that "Cutting is the Sport of Kings." What Surtees thought of racing is very evident from a perusal of his books. It is clear that he disliked the whole business.

Is there any literary authority for the use of the phrase in the sense employed by your contributor?—Yours, etc.,

**INTERESTED.**

Hong Kong, March 3rd, 1927.

**ASSAULT ON AN ARMY CONTRACTOR.****DEFENDANT GETS THREE MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.****WATCHMAN WHO TURNED ON FELLOW COUNTRYMAN.**

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Dalaub Khan appeared on remand before Mr. W. Schofield on a charge of assaulting Abbas Khan.

Mr. Leo d'Almada appeared for the complainant and the defendant was represented by Mr. D. McCallum.

Abbas Khan, described as a rations supplier to the Indian regiments stationed here, said that he had known the defendant from his youth and had on several occasions assisted him in finding employment. The charge was one of assault, a stick being used on complainant.

Defendant, giving evidence, said that he had only known the complainant for a little over five years. He had deposited \$430 with him and he had been going to complainant's house almost daily to press for the return of the money.

On the day in question, he saw complainant coming home on his ricksha and greeted him. Complainant asked him what he wanted and defendant said he had come for his money. Complainant then got angry, struck him on the hand with a walking stick and drew a revolver. The ricksha puller got scared and threw down his shaft, complainant being thrown out of the ricksha, and receiving a cut in the forehead.

In his cross-examination, Mr. d'Almada asked: "Have you ever been court-martialed?" Mr. McCallum: "Your Worship, this is a very unfair question."

His Worship: Yes, it is unfair. In answer to further questions, defendant said that he had always known that the complainant was a "bad man" who had been in the habit of bringing false cases against the poor.

His Worship: I don't believe the story about the complainant falling off his ricksha, but whether there was a quarrel or not before that, I am not prepared to say. I find that the defendant used to much force. He must go to prison for three months with hard labour.

**DIAMOND RING TAKEN BY TRICK.****PAWNED AND RE-PAWNED.****CHINESE SENTENCED FOR FRAUD.****ACTION AGAINST CHINESE PAPER CONSIDERED.**

The story of how a Chinese obtained a diamond ring on the pretext that he would either pay \$200 for it, or return it, but afterwards pawned it, and then repawned it, was related at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell.

Defendant was charged with the conversion of a 'diamond ring, valued at \$200, to his own use.

Mr. C. S. Hugh-Jones prosecuted, and Mr. C. A. S. Russ was for the defence.

Before the case was commenced, Mr. Lindsell said that his attention had been drawn by the Crown Solicitor to an article in a Chinese paper, describing the defendant as a very undesirable and untruthful person, and there was the possibility of action being taken against this paper for contempt of Court.

Mr. Lindsell asked Mr. Russ whether he would like to have the case heard by some one else.

Mr. Russ replied that he knew His Worship too well to think that a newspaper article would influence his judgment, and he was prepared for him to hear the case.

**Case Opened.**

Outlining the case, Mr. Hugh-Jones said that the defendant had known complainant, a chauffeur, for about two months, and one day in a tea house, defendant said he wanted to buy a diamond ring. Complainant was wearing a diamond ring at the time, which he handed to defendant, and told him he could have it for \$200. Defendant replied that he would like to take it home and show it to his wife, and if they both liked it he would pay the sum stipulated. If not he would return the ring. The next day, quite by accident, complainant met the defendant and asked him about the ring. Defendant said that he had "forgotten all about it," and when asked on several subsequent occasions failed either to return the ring, or pay the money.

On January 11th, defendant told the complainant that he had pawned the ring at the Yee On Pawnshop for \$50, and complainant told him that he must redeem it at once, as he had no right to pawn it. Later, on the 13th, defendant told the complainant that he had repawned it for \$150.

Complainant gave evidence bearing out this statement, and two other witnesses were also called for the prosecution.

One of these said that he pawned the ring while the defendant waited outside the shop, and questioned by Mr. Russ, he said that defendant did not want to be seen in the pawnshop as he was wearing European clothes.

**The Defence.**

On behalf of the defendant, Mr. Russ said the complainant knew that defendant had wealthy relatives, but criminal proceedings were being taken to recover a civil debt.

Giving evidence on his own behalf, defendant denied that he pawned the ring. Complainant pawned it himself, and gave him the proceeds in order that he (defendant) might settle a Mah Jongg debt, which he had incurred at complainant's house. When the ring was repawned for \$150 it was not at his (defendant's) instigation. Actually he only received \$40 of the money, which was purely a loan from the complainant.

Mr. Lindsell said that he believed the prosecution, and sentenced defendant to three months' hard labour.

**PICK-POCKETS AND SNATCHERS.****RACE WEEK'S HARVEST.****BAD JOSS FOR THREE.**

Race week in Hongkong as well as elsewhere has always been a profitable time for pickpockets and three light-fingered gentlemen were brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday at the Central Magistracy.

Chan Ho, for attempting to "lift" an almost worthless cigarette holder from the pocket of a Chinese spectator, was sent to gaol for four weeks.

Two other men, who snatched a gold mounted rattan bangle from a Chinese baby, were given the one six months' hard labour, and 20 strokes of the birch, and the other 20 strokes, to be followed by 12 hours' detention.

**THE "SUNNING" PIRATES.****TWO MORE EXECUTED YESTERDAY.****MET THEIR FATE STOICALLY.**

Two more of the six Chinese sentenced to death at the January Criminal Sessions in connection with the piracy of the s.s. *Sunning*, paid the extreme penalty on the scaffold at the Victoria Gaol yesterday morning, at two minutes after five o'clock.

Just prior to their deaths, it is understood that they remarked "Maskee, we die but once."

The execution was carried out simultaneously, and without hitch. The men were Chan Lo and Sun Mau, both Cantonese, who figured as Nos. 3 and 4 defendants at the trial. Placed in the same cell as two of the other condemned men to await execution, they took part in the attempt to break out of confinement on Thursday morning.

The first-named was the man who pressed a revolver into Captain Pringle's stomach during the piracy, while the second man before the close of the trial admitted that he was fully aware that pirates were on board when the ship sailed from Amoy, and added that later a gun was put into his hands by the Pirate Chief (one of the two executed on Wednesday) and he was told "to do his bit."

The usual death inquiry was held at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Major C. Willson, sitting with a jury.

Evidence was given to the effect that the prisoners were executed in the presence of the Superintendent of the Gaol, the Gaol Medical Officer (Dr. J. H. Craig) and other officials.

After Dr. Craig had given medical evidence the usual verdict, that death was met in accordance with the carrying out of the process of the law, were returned.

With the execution of four men who were convicted in connection with the piracy of the *Sunning*, there yesterday remained two others, Nos. 5 and 20 defendants, and the execution of these was to be carried out this morning at the usual early hour.

**THE MASKED BALL.****AN ENJOYABLE FUNCTION PROMISED.**

The masked fancy dress ball at the City Hall this evening promises to be a very jolly function.

The organisers have certainly done their best to ensure the enjoyment of all who attend. The whole suite of rooms at the City Hall has been engaged and, therefore, although it is anticipated that there will be a gathering of about 500, the floors will not be uncomfortably crowded.

A great deal of care has been expended on the decorations and each room has been arranged in a distinctive colour. The Hong Kong Hotel is doing the catering and an augmented band from the *Titanic* will provide the music.

Tickets are limited. Any available will be on sale at the door, but those who wish to be present at the Ball should not run the risk of leaving the purchase to the last moment. They should secure them during to-day at Anderson's or Moutrie's.

**MORNING COAT AND TOP HAT.****LAWYER WHO WON'T WEAR THEM—IN PAWNSHOP OR ELSEWHERE.**

An amusing comment with regard to the wearing of morning coat and top hat was made in the course of the hearing of a case in Mr. R. E. Lindsell's court at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

The case, which is reported elsewhere, concerned a visit to a pawnshop by a Chinese who wished to pawn a diamond ring. He did not, however, enter the pawnshop himself, but waited outside while someone else went in to transact the business.

In cross-examination, Mr. C. A. S. Russ, who was appearing for the defence, asked a witness why defendant did not go in.

The witness replied that he did not wish to be seen in a pawnshop as he was wearing clothes of a European style.

Mr. Russ: There is nothing curious about that.

Mr. Lindsell interposed by asking Mr. Russ whether he would like to be seen in a pawnshop in a morning coat and top hat?

Mr. Russ: I would not like to be seen in a morning coat and top hat under any circumstances.

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## INTIMATIONS.

## HONG KONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, 5th MARCH, By Order of the Committee, PAUL HODGSON, Secretary, Hong Kong, 28th February, 1927. [4605]

## THE HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in Hong Kong).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD., will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICE of the Company (Exchange Buildings, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong) on FRIDAY, 11th MARCH, 1927, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December, 1926, confirming the appointment of Directors and re-selecting a Director and the Auditor.

By Order of the Board, C. G. COLEBY, Secretary, Hong Kong, 10th February, 1927. [4544]

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Office, P. & O. Building, on SATURDAY, 5th MARCH, 1927, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1926, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 21st FEBRUARY to 5th MARCH, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD. Agents, Hong Kong, 12th February, 1927. [4554]

## HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 7th day of MARCH, 1927, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the Ordinary Business of the Company. AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, to MONDAY, 7th MARCH, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, W. F. SIMMONS, Secretary, Hong Kong, 12th February, 1927. [4552]

## HONG KONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE FINAL DIVIDEND declared for the year ending 31st December, 1926, at the Rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of Two Pounds Sterling is Payable on and after the 28th FEBRUARY, 1927, at the Office of the Corporation where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors, A. H. BARR, Chief Manager, Hong Kong, 26th February, 1927. [4613]

## NOTICE.

MONIES up to \$400,000 are Available for Investment on First Class Mortgages Security subject to a Trust Valuation. Apply to—MISSA, DEACONS, 1, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, January 15th, 1927. [4441]

## HONG KONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

SIXTH TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON. SATURDAY, 5th MARCH, at 9.15 P.M. AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

## MAIN EVENT:

15 ROUND CONTEST FOR WHITEWRIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY. STOKES NORMAN MORRIS (H.M.S. Hercules).

## A.B. DIXON (H.M.S. Froisher).

BOOKING AT MOUTRIES—MENUS—2nd & 3rd MARCH. GENERAL PUBLIC—4th & 5th MARCH. USUAL PRICES. [4612]

## INTIMATIONS.

## BRUNNER, MOND &amp; CO. (CHINA), LTD.

DURING my Absence on Leave, Mr. E. L. JUDD will be in Charge of the Company's interests in South China.

G. F. HASLAM, Divisional Manager, Hong Kong, February 28th, 1927. [4623]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received Instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION.

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, 7th, 8th, 9th AND 10th MARCH, 1927.

H.M. NAVAL YARD, HONG KONG, AND AT KOWLOON NAVAL DEPOT, COMMENCING EACH DAY AT 9.30 A.M. WITH AN INTERVAL FROM 12 NOON TO 1.30 P.M.

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## LAMBERT BROTHERS, By Appointment Auctioneers to the Admiralty.

Hong Kong, 10th February, 1927. [4585]

## BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

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Hong Kong, 25th day of February, 1927. [4601]

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## INTIMATIONS.

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## RACE MEETING 1927.

## 5th MARCH.

## MEMBERS' BADGES.

MEMBERS' BADGES OF AD-MISSION are Now Ready and may be obtained by those Members, who have not already received them, from Messrs. LINSTED & DAVIS, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS. Members are Reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the EXTRA RACE MEETINGS of This Year.

## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of introducing Two Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure.

A Limited Number of Tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. LINSTED & DAVIS, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, on or before SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26th, 1927, at Cost of \$10.00 Each Per Day or \$30.00 for the Meeting.

The Charge for Admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$4.00 Per Day. Each Member can obtain upon application to the SECRETARY, Badges for the Admission of Two Ladies Free of Charge. On no pretext will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the First Three Days of the Meeting.

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure: Price \$3.00 Per Day for all persons including Ladies, may be purchased from Messrs. KELLY & WATSON, LTD., or at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform Admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 Per Day.

## SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. LINSTED & DAVIS, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS. Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination, and to endorse their Names on the Passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their Employers' Stands. Any Persons found loitering about will forfeit their Passes in their possession and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary. [4559]

## WILLIAM SCOTT TURNBULL, DECEASED.

ALL CLAIMS against the Estate of above Deceased, who died in Singapore on the 19th day of FEBRUARY, 1927, should be Sent Immediately to the Undermentioned Solicitor for the Executor.

Dated the 2nd day of March, 1927.

A. J. O'DONOGHUE, Solicitor, 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG. [4624]

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## HONG KONG DISPENSARY

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## BIRTH.

EASTWOOD.—On February 25th, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. J. P. R. Eastwood, twin sons. [4626]

Hong Kong Office: 14, Chater Rd. London Office: 131, Fleet St. E.C.

## The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, MARCH 4th, 1927.

## VULGARISING THE ENGLISH COUNTRYSIDE.

A MOVEMENT has been set going in England with the approval of the Royal Automobile Club to erect signposts in villages to tell motorists what they may see of historical interest in the neighbourhood. The Daily Mail has taken up the idea, and is engaged in the business of exploiting it for all it is worth to a journal with a passion for telling the public what they ought to do. Of course, a good case can be made out for making such information as is suggested easily accessible.

There are some wonderful old houses of the Tudor period in England, and castles dating much further back, and stately mansions, moated farmhouses, and parish churches that are veritable poems in stone. These treasures are seldom visited because the traveller is unaware of their existence. They are, perhaps, mentioned in the guide books, but only a leisurely few are thereby tempted to turn aside and see for themselves the hidden beauties of the countryside. What is now proposed is the erection of big notice boards with large lettering thereon, indicating the objects of interest near at hand. To some motorists there is nothing remarkable on earth except speed and distance, but the man who

travels with an eye for things may be grateful for a hint that some village through which he passes may have curious beauties concealed, and be, indeed, a shrine in which history has been stored away.

And yet the question may be asked whether the proposed innovation is likely, if widely carried out, to be an unmixed blessing. We find that many people in England are indulging in frank criticism. They consider that the suggested scheme of flaunting signposts in every village, bearing not only its name but a catalogue of its delights, seems as crude and vulgar a piece of work as could ever have been conceived by that type of modern mind which cannot improve without violating, which can only simplify by adding a violent and blatant superfluity. We confess that we have strong sympathy with this point of view.

There is good reason to believe that signposts erected on the lines indicated will point the way, not only to the villages' charms, but also to their doom. A considerable proportion of motorists will be as indignant as the rest of the public for the form of travel for which the country is being prepared is no travel at all. "Half the joy of travel, whether by motor-car or by any other method, is to regard the journey in the light of an adventure—to find out things for oneself. If the motorist lacks the energy or the initiative to discover the treasures of rural England on his own account, if his adventuring is merely a cloak for driving a car, if he will not even pause to ask a villager, then he does not deserve to be carried through the country on the stretcher of a signpost.

## MR. NIHILL'S NEW APPOINTMENT.

## A LEGAL ADVISER IN IRAK.

We understand that the appointment, referred to in yesterday's Daily Press, which Mr. J. H. B. Nihill has accepted, is that of Legal Adviser to the Chief Administrator of Irak.

The date of Mr. Nihill's departure from the Colony has not been definitely fixed, but it will not be before March 15th.

At Shanghai last week, the Durhams defeated a team from H.M.S. Hawkins by five goals to two.

A very successful dance, under the auspices of H.M.S. Ambrose was held at the Hotel Savoy last night.

The Hong Kong Sharebrokers Association will be closed to-morrow for the final day of the annual race meeting.

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., will be held this morning, at eleven o'clock at Exchange Building.

Returning from long leave, Mr. E. Larmour (land surveyor of the Public Works Department) arrived on the P. & O. Macedonia from London.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending February 18th amounted to 14,307 tons, and the sales during the period to 80,283 tons.

In aid of Seamen's Institute funds, the dance band of H.M.S. Danae is giving a concert at the Institute this evening at 8.45. Admission is free, but a collection will be taken.

A Chinese woman was knocked down by a motor lorry at "Connaught Road Central" yesterday. She sustained slight injuries and was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

On Wednesday 3 Chinese cases of small-pox and two cases of enteric, one British and one Chinese were reported. On Tuesday 4 cases of small-pox, 2 Indian and 2 Chinese were notified.

## MORE TROOPS ARRIVE.

## MIDDLESEX, BORDER AND GREEN HOWARD REGTS.

## DISEMBARKATION STARTED, CONTINUING TO-DAY.

## GUARDS AND DEVONSHIRES STILL ON SHIPS.

Under a heavily clouded sky, with the temperature around 51, and a biting dampness in the air, several battalions of British Infantry and other details, arrived in the Colony yesterday.

The first troop ship in was the P. & O. Karmala, which arrived quite early and immediately went alongside Holt's Wharf.

On board her were the 1st Middlesex Regiment, the 1st Border Regiment, 1st Headquarters, half of the 5th Armoured Car Co., and Headquarters of the 13th Infantry Brigade.

No move toward disembarking the two battalions was made earlier in the day, but later it was decided that both the Middlesex Regiment and the Border Regiment should be disembarked here. These Battalions will go to the camps at Fanling and off Chatham Road.

The only battalion to leave the ship yesterday were the 1st Middlesex and they marched off to camp through a steady drizzle.

We were informed, on enquiry at Headquarters House, that the Border Regiment will not disembark until to-day, probably during the morning.

The Brigade Headquarters and other details will be quartered in the places arranged, full information of which was given some time ago in these columns. The armoured cars were to go to the Race Course, but they may proceed to Shanghai.

During the afternoon, the S.S. Assaye, bringing the 1st Green Howards, and half of a General Hospital, arrived. The quarters for the General Hospital is at the Diocesan Boys' School, Kowloon, which they will share with the Field Ambulance en route here on the Herminius.

The Assaye remained in mid-stream, and we were informed that the disembarkation of the Green Howards, etc., might take place to-day. This largely depends on how soon Holt's Wharf can be used for the purpose.

The S.S. Sarpodon also arrived during the morning, with supplies, and berthed alongside Holt's Wharf. The Devonshire Regiment and the Coldstream Guards are both remaining on board the Kildonan Castle and Kinsale Castle respectively in the stream, until further orders. It is not yet known whether they will proceed to Shanghai or remain here.

Yesterday morning, the Coldstream had a route march through the Wanchai district. The battalion was not carrying equipment, but made an excellent impression. They were headed by their life and drum band.

Three Regiments.

The Middlesex Regiment (Duke of Cambridge's Own)—The 1st Battalion is the old 5th. Foot and the Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment is the Prince of Wales. The Regimental Badge is the plume of the Prince of Wales. The Regiment has a very fine war record and during the Great War raised 48 Battalions.

According to the latest Army List available, the Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion is Lieut.-Col. W. A. Stewart, O.B.E., and the following are the senior officers:—Major V. L. N. Pearson, D.S.O., W. W. Jeffery, L. F. Sloane-Stanley and Captains L. L. Pargiter, D.S.O., N. H. B. Lyon, M.C., H. Phillips, M.C., G. O. Bucknall, M.C., H. W. M. Call, O.B.E., M.C., B. G. Howards, M.C., C. W. Haydon, M.C., E. W. M. de Court, M.C., and E. F. Lyons, M.C.

The 1st Battalion of the Border Regiment is the old 34th Foot, and the 2nd Battalion is the old 56th Foot, with Depot at Carlisle. The Regimental Badge is a Laurel Wreath and The Dragon, superimposed "China." During the Great War the Regiment raised 10 battalions.

The Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion is Lieut.-Col. G. H. Harrison, D.S.O., and the following are the senior officers of the Battalion:—Major E. Roche-Kelly, D.S.O., G. Darwell, M.C., M. U. Manley, M.C., and W. O. Lay, Captains H. L. Chatfield, M.C., G. Carruthers, M.C., G. W. B. Carleton, M.C., W. F. H. Chambers, M.C., G. W. O'Brien, M.C., F. J. S. Nichols, M.C.

The second battalion is also in China, having reached Shanghai a few days ago on the S.S. Magantic. (Continued on next column.)

## MISS NORA MOON'S CONCERT.

## DELIGHTFUL MUSIC AT THE HELENA MAY INSTITUTE.

The concert given yesterday afternoon at the Helena May Institute by Miss Nora Moon was well attended and enjoyed, and the fund of the Y.M.C.A. for entertainment of the troops has benefited by \$400.

Miss Nora Moon is an English soprano operatic singer, who made her name during the war. She gave us selections from three operas, "Bohème," "Madame Butterfly" and "Faust," and to the obvious pleasure of many of her audience sang in English. Like many professional singers she found the acoustic properties of the hall difficult to gauge at first, but as the programme proceeded she adapted her voice to the size of the room. It was perhaps on this account that songs in the second part seemed to suit her better. The Jewel song from "Faust" was delightful and as Miss Moon's voice rose in triumph one seemed to see the eager girl wondering at her own reduction in the mirror. The song which suited her voice best, however, was "The Lament of Isis" (Bantock). The notes in the minor key were produced with a full round tone which stayed in the room instead of echoing against the walls as those of the soprano arias. "Baby Clouds" again, which was specially written for Miss Moon, was delightful.

Miss Vera Godson assisted Miss Moon and gave us three violin solos. She is not a showy performer but played with a quiet command over her instrument which was the best possible foil to the operatic songs. Her playing especially of "Melodie" (Gluck) was restful and satisfying.

Mr. Bowes-Smith accompanied for both ladies with that sympathy and intelligence which makes all the difference between the pianist who merely gives cues and the one who takes a real share in the entertainment.

## CENTRAL DISTRICT FIRE.

## \$50,000 DAMAGE.

At seven o'clock yesterday morning, a serious outbreak of fire occurred at No. 321, Queen's Road Central, and damages to the extent of \$50,000 was done to the stock of the Sze Chau shop, who occupied all the four floors of that building.

Fighting the fire from adjacent houses with the brigades was successful in containing the blaze to the one building.

Extraordinary general meetings of the Union Insurance Society of Canton; Chinese Fire Insurance Co.; and China Fire Insurance Co. will be held to-day at Union Building. The meetings will be held at noon, 12.15 p.m. and 12.30 p.m. respectively.

The funeral of Sister Anna, of the French Convent, Causeway Bay, whose death we recorded yesterday, took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday morning, and was attended among others by Sisters from the Convent, and a number of the pupils.

As from January 25th Capt. R. H. T. Baikes, D.S.O., who has had two years in command of the China Submarine Flotilla, was relieved by Capt. J. B. Glenross, D.S.O. The latter officer was appointed to the Distinguished Service Order in November, 1917, in recognition of good work in enemy waters.

## Other Ships.

The hospital ship Maine is due this morning. She was formerly the Panama, a twin-screw vessel of 3,800 tons net, and 5,700 tons gross, under the command of Captain R. N. Smardon, is also expected. Surgeon Captain W. W. Keir, C.M.G., M.B., is in charge of the medical section.

The Maine was built by Fairfield's, at their Glasgow yard, in 1902, and has a length of 401 ft., breadth, 32 ft., and depth 33 ft. Her turbine develop a nominal horsepower of 850. She left Malta on February 4th.

The Herminius, which as stated yesterday, left Singapore on Tuesday for Hong Kong, with the 1st Camerons; Headquarters 4th Pack Brigade R.A. and 21st Pack Battery; the remaining half of a General Hospital and a Field Ammunition, may arrive in port to-day, but more probably she will get here until to-morrow.

The Camerons (Scottish Rifles) who raised 27 Battalions during the Great War, served with the 2nd Borderers in the China war at 1940-2, when the repatriation for out-rages committed on British subjects was the cessation of Hong Kong.

"Hot Dogs" Stand.

The St. Andrew's Young Men's Club is launching on a moderate scale, a scheme whereby the Service men coming to this Colony may find a quiet reading and writing room waiting for them, and also a "Hot Dog" Stand.

Arrangements are in the hands of the Committee, and announcements with regard to the opening will be made later.



# M.P.'S QUESTIONS AS TO BRITISH TROOPS AT SHANGHAI.

FENGTIENNESE ENGAGE IN SEVERAL PRELIMINARY SKIRMISHES.

## CHINESE COMMUNISTS MEETING WITH OPPOSITION.

According to a Chinese Press Service report the Fengtienese and the Southerners have actually engaged in several skirmishes; and to all appearance the Northeners have had the better of the preliminary exchanges.

There is nothing to hand regarding the big battle which it is predicted is likely to take place, shortly in the vicinity of Sungkiang, with Shanghai's Native City as the ultimate goal.

The Fengtienese in Honan are stated to be determined to deal drastically with the troops that treacherously left Marshal Wu Pei Fu stranded.

## FIGHTING REPORTED BETWEEN FENGTIENNESE AND SOUTHERNERS.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

SHANGHAI, March 3rd.

Actual fighting between the Fengtienese and the troops led by General Chin Yun An has taken place in the vicinity of Chungmao between Kaifeng and Changchow. Besides serious collisions between these forces, similar skirmishes have also occurred at Lanfung, to the west of Changchow.

Railway communication between Lanfung and Changchow has suspended. The upshot of the fighting up to the 25th ultimo is reported to be very unfavourable to General Chin's forces, many important points near Chungmao having been taken by the Fengtienese. General China arrived at Changchow on the 11st instant to make a strong defence there, fearing that if his troops at the front are entirely defeated, the Fengtienese will march to Changchow.

## CHINESE COMMUNISTS.

## MEETING WITH OPPOSITION.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

SHANGHAI, March 3rd.

A split between the Communists and the Kuomintang members is evident in a recent incident at Hankow in which the Communists demanded the overthrow of Mr. Chang Ching Kiang as Chairman of the Central Kuomintang Party, who is known as anti-Red in political principles, and that he be succeeded by Mr. George Hsu Chien, a Red leader.

General Chiang Kai Shek, however, opposed the Communists strongly in this matter and transferred the Kuomintang headquarters to Kiukiang at once.

General Chiang also delivered a lengthy speech at Nanchang denouncing the Communists.

## [EARLIER TELEGRAMS.]

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 2nd.

In the House of Commons, Lieut.-Comdr. Kenworthy (Labour) asked what instructions had been given at Shanghai regarding the occupation of Chinese territory outside the Concession, "seeing that British troops had occupied positions outside the boundaries of the Concession."

Sir Austen Chamberlain declined, in the public interest, to disclose the terms of the instructions. Subsequently, in reply to Mr. R. C. Wallhead (Labour), Sir Austen Chamberlain stated that in view of the delicate situation which had arisen in Shanghai, British troops had taken up precautionary positions on a defensive line which was partly outside the Settlement limits. Italian forces were collaborating in the matter, but he was unable to say whether the Italian posts were actually placed outside the Settlement. He added that the occupation of this particular position was dictated by the tactical necessities.

## Respecting Neutrality.

Mr. Wallhead asked whether the operation infringed either territoriality or neutrality, and Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that when danger arises troops must be placed in a position effectively to discharge their duty of protecting British lives—for which they were sent.

Col. J. C. Wedgwood (Labour) asked if neither Northern or Southern troops were to be allowed within whatever territory was at present occupied by the British, and Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that it was for the purpose of keeping armed forces and armed individuals—fugitives or stragglers from the armies—out of the Settlement and therefore avoiding the dangers inherent in such a case to British lives, that the troops were there.

(Continued on next column.)

# 200 MILES PER HOUR MOTORING.

WHAT MAJOR SEAGRAVE HOPES TO DO.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 3rd.

Major Seagrave, who is to attempt to reach a speed of 200 miles an hour in his 1,000 horse-power Sunbeam racing car, is on his way to the United States accompanied by mechanics. The attempt will be made on the Florida Straits and the tests may begin on March 10th. Seagrave is convinced that he can beat the existing world speed record for automobiles, but it is desired to know whether anything can travel faster than 190 miles per hour on land. It is calculated that the 300 horse-power engines with which the car is fitted will propel it at a speed of 90 miles per hour in the first gear, 130 miles per hour in the second and 210 miles per hour in the top gear. The car will consume a gallon of petrol per mile and the wind resistance at 200 miles per hour will be 1,000 pounds on the front of the vehicle. The car is described as the most powerful and scientifically perfect that has ever been built.

## BRITISH FAUNA.

LONDON'S ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY'S INTERESTING PROJECTS.

The Zoological Society of London hope shortly to begin the development of a wild bird sanctuary reserve for British fauna, and an exercise and breeding station and country home for animals in the London Zoological Gardens and ultimately, to construct a zoological park. Four hundred acres, situated in the Chiltern Hills, about thirty miles from London, have been purchased for this purpose.

## SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 3rd.

Sir Austen Chamberlain will leave London on Saturday to attend the League of Nations Council meeting, which opens on Monday at Geneva.

## MR. O'MALLEY RETURNING TO PEKING.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 3rd.

It is understood that Mr. O'Malley, who has been conducting negotiations with Mr. Chen, is returning to Peking to resume his duties at the British Legation there. Mr. Teichmann, Chinese Secretary of the Legation, who accompanied Mr. O'Malley to Hankow, will remain in order to elaborate details of the Agreement.

## PORTUGUESE ROUND THE WORLD FLIGHT.

CALLS AT BATAVIA AND SINGAPORE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CASABLANCA, March 3rd.

The aeroplane piloted by the Portuguese aviator, Major Sarmiento, on a world flight, has arrived here from Lisbon. It is proceeding to Portuguese Guinea and thence will cross the Atlantic to Brazil. The itinerary includes calls at Batavia and Singapore.

## THE U.S. SOUTH AMERICAN FLIGHT.

REMAINING TWO AVIATORS CONTINUE THE VOYAGE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

ASTORIA, Oregon, Mar. 3rd.

The remaining two United States Air Force machines arrived here to continue the 20,000 mile flight around South America, despite Saturday's collision and crash.

## U.S. NAVY.

THE MODERNISING OF TWO WARSHIPS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, March 3rd.

President Coolidge has signed the Bill authorizing the appropriations for modernising the warships *Oklahoma* and *Nevada*, including the elevation of their guns.

## FRANCE'S WAR DEBTS.

STATEMENT BY THE PREMIER.

A SOCIALIST PROPOSAL DEFEATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, March 3rd.

Supplementing previous statements, M. Poincare made a detailed verbal report, before the Finance Committee in the Chamber, on the agreement with England concerning provisional payments of the war debt. The proposal of the Socialist, Vincent Auriol, for a debate in the Chamber on the Agreement was defeated by 17 votes to 9, conformable with M. Poincare's demand.

# U.S. SENATOR ON THE WARPATH.

WHOLESALE DENUNCIATION.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, March 3rd.

In the Senate, during a debate on the Mexican situation, Senator Heflin (Democrat) fiercely denounced the Catholic Association, the Knights of Columbus. He also attacked Mr. Alfred Smith, the Democratic Governor of New York State, who is a Catholic and a possible Presidential candidate, declaring it to be most dangerous if Mr. Smith is put in the White House, while the Mexican crisis continued. Senator Heflin then attacked the British Ambassador, Sir Esmé Howard, for attending a "recent meeting of the Knights of Columbus, at which Mexico was assailed."

The Democrat, Mr. William King, however, paid the highest tribute to Sir Esmé Howard, declaring that he "could not permit the charge to stand that Sir Esmé Howard had connived at war or entered into any conspiracy derogatory to the best interests of his country."

## LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 2nd.

In addition to the forty-fourth session of the League of Nations Council which opens in Geneva on Monday next under the Presidency of Dr. Stresemann, the German Foreign Minister, there will be nine different League meetings during the present month.

Of these, the most important refer to the question of disarmament. When the Preparatory Committee for a Disarmament Conference meets again on March 25th, it will have before it the whole of the work done by its various technical sub-committees since June last, and may thus be able, definitely to draw up a programme and fix the date of an International Disarmament Conference. The related, though minor, question of the international supervision of the private manufacture of arms, will also be dealt with, since the special Commission whereon the United States will be represented, will meet on March 14th to draw up the draft International Convention for conference which is to be summoned by the League in Autumn.

The League's Financial Committee is to study the possibility of establishing a common scheme of financial assistance to the State which has been attacked and to consider the legal position which would result from forcing in peacetime, measures of economic pressure indicated in Article 16 of the Covenant, particularly by a maritime blockade. The Committee of the Council will examine the report of the sub-committee which met in London last month under the chairmanship of Viscount Cecil to study the kind of preventive action which might usefully be taken by the Council when considering a dispute brought before it.

## SCENE AT A CHINESE LEGATION.

DEMONSTRATORS ARRESTED IN PARIS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, March 2nd.

The police were summoned to eject a party of thirty Chinese who called at the Chinese Legation at 7.30 in the morning and demanded an interview with the Minister and who refused to leave when the Minister offered to receive two delegates when the office opened. The intruders refused to disperse, and were taken to the Police Station, the majority being charged with assaulting the police.

## "Work or Repatriation."

LATER.

It transpires that the intruders were unemployed and demanded either work or repatriation. An other delegation later interviewed the Minister, who promised to do his utmost to find them work and to distribute the available funds.

## ZINOVIEFF'S LETTER.

ITS AUTHENTICITY CONFIRMED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 2nd.

Sir Austen Chamberlain in the House of Commons was asked whether anything had arisen either in the recent reply from the Soviet or from any other source, throwing any doubt on the accuracy of the conclusion that the Zinovieff letter, which brought down the Labour Government in 1924, was not a forgery.

Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that nothing had arisen. On the contrary, two pieces of confirmatory evidence were available to the present Government which were not available to the Labour Government. Asked if he was prepared to submit this evidence, Sir Austen Chamberlain replied: "No. Our sources of information are thoroughly trustworthy, but would not be available if they could be made public."

# MALAYAN RUBBER.

VALUE OF THE EXPORTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SINGAPORE, March 3rd.

The Malayan Rubber exports for February totalled 97,500 tons, compared with 30,500 in the same month last year. The value of the exports for the two months in 1927 was \$59,500,000, compared with \$173,000,000 last year.

## 60 MAHOMEDANS KILLED AND WOUNDED.

SEQUEL TO A RELIGIOUS PROCESSION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CALCUTTA, March 2nd.

Twenty Mahomedans were killed and 40 wounded as the result of firing which was ordered by the District Magistrate of the Backergunge District, at Ponnabalia, a village about 200 miles from Calcutta.

It is reported that Hindus took out a religious procession to the accompaniment of music on the occasion of the Shivarati Festival. When they approached a Mosque some Mahomedans resisted, but the Magistrate persuaded them to disperse. But the Mahomedans soon returned at the instigation of their religious head, and defied the Magistrate. They attacked the Magistrate and Superintendent of Police with a spear, whereupon, finding that the situation was getting out of control, the Magistrate ordered the firing.

## OPIUM CONVENTION.

RATIFIED BY FIVE NATIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, March 2nd.

The Dutch Government has deposited with the Secretariat of the League of Nations its ratification of the National Opium Convention of 1925, which has now been ratified by Britain, France, India, Holland and Portugal.

## U.S. NAVAL BILL.

SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT.

[THROUGH AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, March 2nd.

President Coolidge has signed the Naval Bill, thereby incidentally assenting to the appropriation for three new cruisers, which Congress had inserted in the Bill against the President's wishes.

LATER.

It is emphasised at White House that while President Coolidge has not changed his mind with regard to the advisability of building the three new cruisers, had the Naval Bill been vetoed, the Naval Department would have been entirely without funds.

## BABE RUTH'S PRICE.

\$370,000 PER YEAR.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, March 2nd.

After a dazzling blaze of publicity in support of his case, the baseball player, Babe Ruth, whose slogan has been "300,000 or 1 quit," has agreed to continue his hitting for the New York Yankees at a salary of \$370,000 per annum. The contract is for three years.

Previously, Babe Ruth received \$32,000 per annum.

## "BEVERLEY OF GRAUSTARK" AT THE QUEEN'S.

A FILM TO ENJOY.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

"Well done Metro Godwin Mayer! "Beverley of Graustark" showing at the Queen's has every element of a successful screen play, and the management of the Hong Kong Amusements is to be congratulated on giving us a second treat at the Queen's this week.

We have had plenty of Ruritania and plenty of comedies, but "Beverley" is more than either. It has proved only too easy to take Anthony Hope's famous novel and rehash it. Novelists and producers have done so ad nauseam, but Metro Godwin Mayer have the story in quite a different way. It is Ruritania right enough but with that almost inimitable flavouring which one seldom meets outside France, and though it is comedy it never falls to farce.

There is moreover, another element that makes an especial appeal to British audiences. In her cousin's dress Marion Davies has a certain likeness to the Prince of Wales and this resemblance has been made use of with very great cleverness. That is to say it is never over-emphasised, there is no caricature and no attempt at impersonation; just a hint of his well-known features to further the facial similarity.

Don't miss *Beverley of Graustark* if you want to see a really good film.

# A FAMOUS BRITISH MOTORIST.

T. G. PARRY THOMAS KILLED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 3rd.

The famous racing motorist, T. G. Parry Thomas, was killed while attempting to recapture the World's Speed Record on Pendine Sands, Wales, today.

## OBITUARY.

AMERICA'S COMMUNIST CHIEF.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

CHICAGO, March 2nd.

The death has occurred here of Mr. Charles Ruthenberg, the General Secretary of the Workers' Party (a Communist organisation of the United States), who was the virtual chief of the Communists in America.

## EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSIA, March 3rd.

Paris	134
Brussels	24.89
Amsterdam	13.11½
Berlin	20.47
Copenhagen	13.20
Vienna	34.45½
Helsingfors	182½
Lisbon	217.32
Rio	5½
Bombay	1/5.61-54
Hong Kong	2/0.7-18
New York	4.851
Geneva	25.22
Milan	111.1-16
Stockholm	18.17
Oslo	18.70½
Prague	163½
Madrid	28.91½
Athens	376
Buenos Aires	47½
Shanghai	2/6.11-16
Yokohama	2/0.7-32
Silver (spot)	28.1-15
Silver (forwards)	28.13-18

## S.P.C.A.

INSPECTORS' REPORT.

The following is the combined report of the work of the Inspectors of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for February:

TRANSPORT.	
Poultry, crates	1,774
Poultry on trucks and lorries, loads	119
Poultry in junks and ferries, crates	187
Poultry by rail, crates	39
Pigs on trucks and in baskets	7,345
Pigs in junks and ferries	639
Pigs by rail	32
Cattle in junks	203
Cattle ashore	30
Sheep and goats in junks	1
Dogs by rail	24
Dogs in market, Taiipo	4
Cats in market, Taiipo	4

## IMPORTS.

Poultry, crates	2,934
Pigs	8,765
Cattle	1,332
Sheep and goats	240
Cages of birds	53
Foxes	2
Cats	3
Owls	4

## EXPORTS.

Poultry, crates	97
Cattle	319
Sheep and goats	185
Dogs	2
Monkeys	20
Cages of birds	17
Ponies	7

## VISITS.

Markets	70
Birdshops	16
Railway stations	28
Dogs' home	44
Dealers shops	15
Pig pens, Yaumati	3
Landing places	58
Poultry depots	84
Cattle depot	20

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Ignorant cruelty cases corrected	38
Markets watched, times	43
Ferries watched, times	45
Cases investigated on report received	1
Dogs received in home during month	18
Dogs claimed in home during month	1
Dogs sold in home during month	3
Dogs died in home during month	1
Dogs destroyed in home during month	8

## \$20,000 FOR SUZANNE.

FOUR MONTHS' PAY.

Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen, it is announced, is to sail for France this month, the possessor of £20,000, which is the price paid to her for abandoning her status as an amateur lawn tennis player.

Her manager reveals that he guaranteed her £12,000 and a percentage of the gate receipts for a four months' tour of the United States which is now ending.

Miss Mary K. Browne, the American champion, who has played against her in 27 cities, and incidentally won only one set, receives £25,000, and a share of the gate receipts.

The troupe of players, propose later in the year to start on a tour embracing England, France, Germany, Japan, and Australia.

# LOCAL BOXING.

TO-MORROW'S TOURNAMENT AT THEATRE ROYAL.

MORRIS SEEKS NEW TITLE.

[BY A RINGSIDER.]

Several new faces will be seen in the local ring to-morrow at the Theatre Royal, where the Hong Kong Boxing Association hold their sixth tournament of the present season.

The main event, a fifteen rounds contest between Stoker Morris, H.M.S. *Hermes* and Leading Seaman Dixon, H.M.S. *Frobisher*, for the welterweight championship of the Colony, should prove a fine fight, but it must be admitted that since Jim Cartledge left the Colony, it has been very difficult to find a man who can be relied upon to extend Morris.

In Dixon, the Association think they have found the man. He has developed a habit of winning his fights by the knock-out method and he is the present welterweight champion of the Mediterranean fleet.

Stoker Reynolds. The best of the two ten round contests appears to be that between Stoker Reynolds, H.M. Submarine, and Signaller Morris, H.M.S. *Despatch*, at waterweight. Reynolds is well-known in the local ring, having appeared at every tournament this season and won each of his fights.

Morris has done a lot of fighting at Shanghai, and has come south with a record sufficiently good to warrant his being matched with Reynolds.

## Ten Rounds Lightweight Contest.

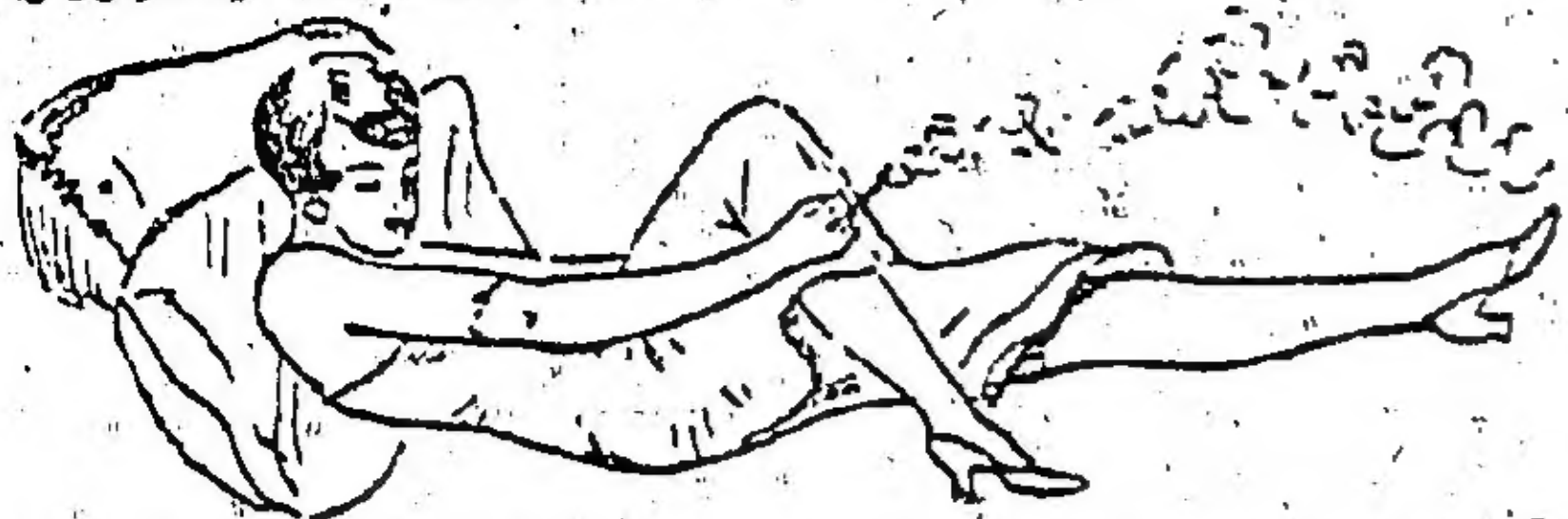
The second ten rounds contest is between Leading Seaman Hall, H.M.S. *Titanic* and Leading Seaman Baker, H.M.S. *Hermes*. This fight can be relied on to go the full distance, both men being past masters in the art of absorbing punishment.

## THE HIGHLANDS OF SCOTLAND.

SIR JOHN LORNE MACLEOD REVIEWS THE SITUATION.

CO-OPERATION WITH LOWLANDS NEEDED.





## The WOMAN'S PAGE

### THE FASHIONABLE FACE.

We are getting used to geometric lines for dresses, and cubic art has been with us so long that it no longer provokes any attention, but when Paris tells us we must wear cubic make up it is rather a shock. You must not wear a "round rose leaf blush" any more but apply the range in a slanting line from the nostril to the top of the ear, while a dab on your chin will add a becoming length to your face. But follow this counsel with discretion please and you will understand the reason for it. Make up to-day is as definite an accessory to clothes as a bag or a handkerchief. That does not say it is absolutely necessary, for there are still charmingly dressed women who use very little or none, but it does emphasize the fact that it must be considered in relation to the style of dressing you adopt.

The milk and roses style definitely is not the complement of the line of to-day. If kind nature gave you a flawless complexion, wear it; if



Of pinky-beige wool crepe with flower shading to wine colour, the hat repeating the colours. Pin tucks are a favourite ornamentation for jumper suits and dresses of many materials.

stands out supreme among all the caprices of modern fashion, but if not read on and learn what Paris orders.

Eyelids must be made up with care, only the upper lid darkened and that very slightly. A suspension of rouge under blue or brown powder gives that lustrous look which is so attractive with a somewhat severe evening gown. Nails are less highly coloured than on the fore but should be light shaped and brilliantly polished. The straight shaved line at the nape of the neck is quite gone and a fine point or a heart shaped cut which is much prettier has taken its place. As to the general colour of the face, powder, sunburn tones or a dazzling fairness are the rule. You may wear both, the former in the day with sports clothes or walking dress and the latter at night, but only with the right clothes. Of the two, sunburn is undoubtedly the safest and the more general, but again be careful to get the tone right. If you wear a sleeveless frock remember that your face, arms and neck must complement your legs (stockings), and don't make the terrible mistake of pink stockings, bronze arms and a pink and white face!

### THE TEMPTING REMNANT.

I saw about 200 silk dress lengths in a shop on Queen's Road the other day. No, Sir, I didn't undo them all and buy none, but I noticed two in particular. One was in vieux rose shading to green in its floral border; and the other was a heavy deep bronze coloured silk with a small black diamond pattern, and a beautifully designed border in blue and chestnut brown. There were also 50 lengths of bordered Japanese flannel which makes up delightfully for between season frocks.

Then I went into the little sanctum at the end of the shop to look at lovely and fragile stockings (they are guaranteed hole proof). There were thousands of pairs in every conceivable tone.

I found in a *Daily Mail* a most useful list of the lengths required to make various articles of clothing which I am sure you would like to see. It is an all too frequent tragedy of sales that one buys a tempting length only to find it too short for the intended purpose. If you cut out this list and carry it with you when you go remnant hunting you can't go wrong. The sizes are for a figure of average height and of 36 in. bust.

Long-sleeved frock with side pleats, two and a half yards fifty-four inches wide, or three and three quarter yards thirty-eight inches wide.

### THE RACES.



Those high chairs give a good chance of observing shoes and stockings, but even a satin coat, a leather one or a cloak of air force blue did not hide much.

The horses were there too though not so much in evidence.

Long-sleeved jumper with "Eton collar, two and a half yards thirty-eight inches wide.

Slim, sleeveless evening frock of brocade or other decorative material, two and five-eighths yards thirty-eight inches wide.

Princess slip, two and one-eighth yards thirty-eight inches wide for opera top, or two and a half yards if with shoulder pieces.

Directoire knickers, one and a half yards thirty-eight inches wide.

Short evening knickers, one and three-eighths yards thirty-eight inches wide.

Cami-knickers, two yards thirty-eight inches wide.

Nightdress with small sleeve, three and a quarter or three and three-eighths yards thirty-eight inches wide.

Pyjamas with long sleeves, four and a half yards thirty-six inches wide; with short sleeves four yards thirty-six inches wide.

Collar and long vest, seven-eighths yard thirty-eight inches wide.

Collar and small cuffs, three-eighths yard thirty-eight inches wide.

From a 10-inch strip of broad- ed or French tinsel ribbon you can make a pretty evening pochette, while a yard of 27 inches velvet is just right for an attractive tam-o'-shanter.

### LITTLE GIRLS' DRESSES.

Children's dresses were never so charming as to-day. Happy the mother of a little girl. The girl's clothes are not only pretty but so short that they can be made easily out of remnants or pieces left over from her mother's wardrobe. Care must be taken, however. An over dressed child is almost as pathetic a sight as one wearing makeup.

Those of you who were wise enough to buy remnants whilst the sales were on can now make good use of them and you "can still find suitable lengths in many of the native shops. A lovely little frock for the small girl comes from Paris. It is a straight night gown shape in pink crepe de chine, cut with tiny sleeves and wide enough in front to allow for a deep inverted pleat on either shoulder. This is joined, to just above the waist line, with shots worked in pale blue silk and laced with blue ribbon. You should fasten the end of the ribbon with a button and button hole or a tiny bow on the inside of the dress, so that it can be removed for washing. The round neck, the ends of the sleeves and the scalloped hem are worked in the same blue silk in deep wide-apart button hole stitch, and the opening of the neck is fastened with a small button and V loop under a long-ended bow of blue ribbon.

### THE ART OF SALESMANSHIP.

There has been a great deal written lately in the home papers about the art of buying, a controversy as to whether a woman can, or should be able to, buy a dress in ten minutes; but the sister art of selling has been neglected not only by the papers but very often by the saleswomen themselves. This is very generally true in England, a fact which accounts for the number of purchases made on the continent, not only by those who go there holiday making but on "passing through."

Here in Hong Kong we have every variety of salesmanship. You may stop in Queen's Road to look at a long legged doll sprawling across Madame Sarraute's window, an intriguing glimpse of a dress draws you in "just to have a look round," and Madame comes forward with her welcoming smile, and your fate is sealed. But it doesn't feel like that, it is more like being received by Cinderella's



A simple midseason frock which could be carried out in jersey cloth or crepe de chine. The buckle fastenings are interesting.

Fancy Godmother; at a wave of her wand cupboards and drawers fly open and all the things you love are spread before you. When at last you tear yourself away you feel as if you had been given just the presents you had longed for, and even when your "pass" book arrives from the bank, you say, with the memory of having looked your best since that visit, "Well, it was more than worth it."

Salesmanship is more important than having the best stock, it isn't only persuading people to buy, it's persuading them to buy what they will never regret.

body may be long or in the yoke shape, sleeves long or short; you may have pleats or scallops, "V" or round necks, but frills face and unnecessary ribbons are as dead as Lord Fauntleroy's long curls. They no longer belong by right to the little girl, but, if you love them, babies fashions have not yet been pruned into the prevailing mode for life, though even the latest layettes are far more akin to mother's clothes than they were.

### HINTS FROM TURKEY AND FRANCE.

Have you ever tried Turkish coffee? Though drunk without milk it is quite different from the ordinary café noir, but I advise you to make it yourself for though easy, there is a mystery in the making of which your cook boy may not realise the significance. The Turks make it in a specially shaped conical saucepan which is wider at the bottom than the top, but with care an ordinary pan will do. You must have your coffee freshly roasted and ground; that is essential. Take for each person a tablespoonful of coffee and the same measure of castor sugar and water, put into the pan and boil upon a quick fire. Let it rise to the top of the pan, then remove from the fire for a moment till it settles. Repeat this process twice more, then pour into the cups and drink as hot as you can.

Petit Pains de Pommes de Terre. The following recipe from France is particularly useful here where the ordinary boiled potato is so often unsatisfactory and eggs are cheap. Boil 3 or 4 large flower potatoes in their skins—the French say in their dressing gowns—peel and mash them, while hot. Add to this puree 1 lb. of butter and the yolks of 4 eggs, then the whites beaten to a stiff froth. Mix it all together and add just enough flour to make a firm paste of which you can fashion the petit pains, small rolls about 4 ins. long and 2 thick. Put a small piece of butter on each roll and bake them a golden brown in a moderate oven.

### THE LINEN CUBOARD

Every Saturday morning my Grandmother was to be found in her linen room seated in a high backed chair set in a bay window which caught the morning sun. I like to think of her sitting there with her rosewood sewing table before her, while the maid counted and sorted the contents of the great tallboy which was her pride. No thin place or tiny tear could escape Grandma's sharp eyes, and each was mended with such fine stitching that they barely showed. Few houses to-day can boast a linen room, and the wash amah's methods might have persuaded even the old generation that in the East linen cannot be regarded as a hereditary treasure.

We all have a linen cupboard, however, and the spring, when every housewife is filled with restless energy is the time to take stock and replace any worn articles. Lane, Crawford's have now a separate department on the ground floor, where you can buy all household linens from the daintiest little boxes of old bleach, guest towels complete with skins of silk with which you can work an initial to match the coloured border, to house-maid's gloves and scouring clothes. They have some beautiful old bleach hemstitched sheets, with pillow slips to match at \$20 a pair and Finlay finish sheets for \$17.50.

In the same department there is to be found old bleach cambric which is quite the softest and coolest wear for summer undies; and oatmeal linen luncheon sets, and with their lovely colour and simple scalloped borders are a pleasant change from lace and Chinese embroidery. I also saw there some printed cretonne table squares which would be splendid for the nursery or bedroom.

### DRESSES AND DOLLARS.

"A new hat is a treasure, a triumph and a tonic," said Mr. Justice M'Cardie, a bachelor Judge, in the case in which Paquin was sued by a member of their staff. But would he have described it like that if he had been married? I wonder? The figures quoted in this case throw light on the why and wherefore of those heart rending prices charged for lovely frocks. The designer in question earned \$1,500 a year as salary. In addition to this she had four visits a year to Paris at the firm's expense, attended the race meetings with an allowance of \$150 a day for expenses and six model dresses a year. Doesn't it fill you with ambition to serve M. Paquin or M. Worth? Then see what is earned by a premier vendeuse in Paris, "easily" we are told "\$1,000 a year." And yet there are women who long to write!

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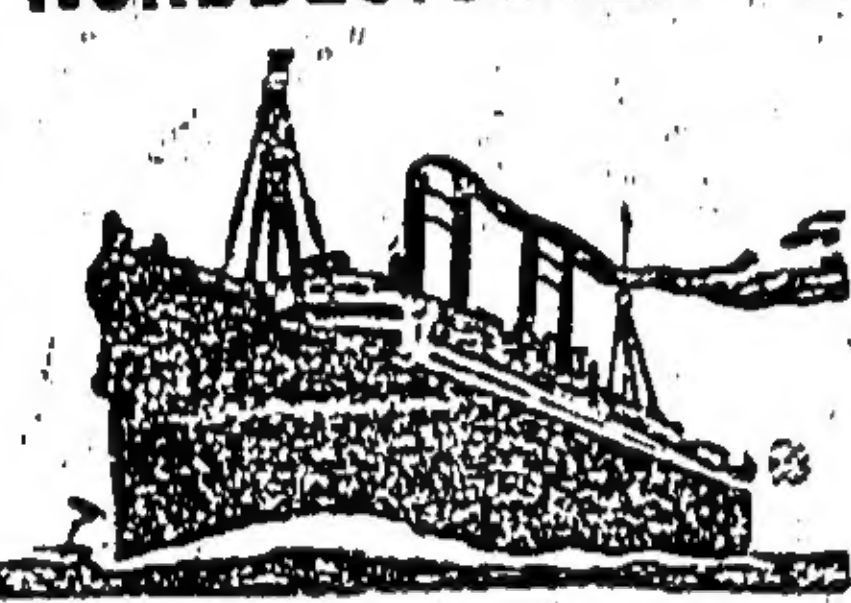
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## Shipping News Arrivals and Departures, etc.

### ARRIVALS.

March 2nd.

Danish, motor ship, 5,342 tons, Capt. D. C. Knudsen, from Vladivostok, and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A33.—John Managers & Co.

Fingal, Norwegian str., 1,343 tons, Capt. N. B. Melsom, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C23.—Thorsen & Co.

Kwong, British str., 1,238 tons, Capt. Potter, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B2.—B. & S.

Lee Cheong, Chinese str., 133 tons, Capt. Ho Yuan, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at Lun Cheong Wharf.—Fook Hoi S.S. Co.

Lob Sun, British str., 1,045 tons, Capt. H. C. Kiddle, from Sandakan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C48.—Fai Lun S.S. Co.

Menado Maru, Japanese str., 2,165 tons, Capt. N. Sasaki, from Hoibow, with a general cargo, lying at O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.

President Lincoln, American str., Capt. H. L. Jones, from San Francisco, with 2,386 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Co.

Renu, Italian motor ship, 8,063 tons, from Trieste, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Dodwell & Co.

Shaw Heing, Chinese str., 787 tons, Capt. T. Hingchi, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B48.—Yue Tai Hong.

West Prospect, American str., 4,550 tons, Capt. W. F. M. Scobah, from Los Angeles and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters.—Swayne & Hoyt Inc.

Yanoo, Chinese str., 664 tons, Capt. L. Jack, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C44.—Canton, Shanghai & Co.

March 3rd.

Anhui, British str., 2,060 tons, Capt. G. H. Pennefather, from Singapore with firewood and general cargo, lying at buoy No. B22.—B. & S.

Antenor, British str., 6,190 tons, Capt. Reynard, from Singapore with a general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

Haining, British str., 832 tons, Capt. W. C. Passmore, from Fochow, Amoy, and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Douglas Wharf.—Douglas S.S. Co.

Heller, Norwegian str., 1,114 tons, Capt. T. Davidson, from Bangkok, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C15.—Thorsen & Co.

Kathe, German str., 906 tons, Capt. H. Fraudech, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C23.—Kwang Mow Tai.

Mercuria, British str., 11,119 tons, Capt. H. W. Potter, from London, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—P. & O.

Moji Maru, Japanese str., 3,757 tons, Capt. Y. Soejima, from Moji, with cotton goods, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Sinkiang, British str., 1,618 tons, Capt. D. Williams, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

Tongler, Chinese str., 882 tons, Capt. K. Ishu, from Dairep and Chefoo, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C17.—Ching Kee.

West Niger, American str., 3,517 tons, Capt. V. D. Trout, from Portland, Ore., and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A30.—Columbia Pacific S.S. Co.

### CLEARANCES.

March 3rd.

Denmark, for Singapore.

Fingal, for Whampoa.

Feng Lee, for Saigon.

Fuk Tai, for Hoibow.

Genoa Maru, for Saigon.

Kathe, for Dairep.

Karmala, for Shanghai.

Khodong, for Balikpapan.

Lee Cheong, for Shanghai.

Maedonia, for Shanghai.

Menado Maru, for Swatow.

Moji Maru, for Singapore.

President Lincoln, for Manila.

Promia, for Keelung.

Renu, for Shanghai.

Sinkiang, for Canton.

Soliken, for Saigon.

Tuk King, for Autow.

Tong Lee, for Whampoa.

Van Heutsz, for Singapore.

West Niger, for Manila.

West Prospect, for Saigon.

Yanoo, for Canton.

The s.s. Hai Ning arrived from Fochow, Amoy and Swatow yesterday, brought 30 European passengers, first class; 32 Chinese passengers, second class; and 450 deck passengers.

The Lloyd Triestino motor ship Remo, arriving from Europe and en route to Shanghai and Japan ports, brought 31 first class passengers, and one deck passenger.

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Mar. 9	Seattle	Pres. Roosevelt	Apr. 6	5th-Ctrg Apr. 13
Mar. 15	San Francisco	Olympic	Apr. 19	19-Ctrg-S'mpta Apr. 23
Mar. 22	Seattle	Geo. Washington	Apr. 20	20-P'mth-Ctrg Apr. 27
Mar. 29	San Francisco	Homeric	Apr. 26	26-Ctrg-S'mpta May 6
Apr. 6	Seattle	Leviathan	Apr. 30	30-Ctrg-S'mpta May 7
Apr. 12	San Francisco	Aquitanian	May 11	11-Ctrg-S'mpta May 17
Apr. 20	Seattle	Geo. Washington	May 18	18-P'mth-Ctrg May 27
Apr. 26	San Francisco	Republic	May 25	25-Ctrg-S'mpta June 6
May 4	Seattle	Aquitanian	May 31	31-Ctrg-S'mpta June 17
May 10	San Francisco	Roamer	June 18	18-P'mth-Ctrg June 21
May 18	Seattle	Mauretania	June 25	25-Ctrg-S'mpta July 1
May 24	San Francisco	Majestic	June 26	26-Ctrg-S'mpta July 1

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PRESIDENT GRANT ... Mar. 7th, 6.00 p.m.

PRESIDENT VAN BUREN ... Mar. 16th, 8.00 a.m.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND ... Mar. 16th, 6.00 p.m.

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S.S. "HESSER" ... due here on or about the 18th of April, 1927

S.S. "PREUSSEN" ... due here on or about the 10th of May, 1927

SAILINGS FOR EUROPE VIA MANILA, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID

M.V. "MUNSTERLAND" ... sailing from here on or about 5th of March

S.S. "OLDENBURG" ... sailing from here on or about 22nd of March

S.S. "SAARLAND" ... sailing from here on or about 18th of April

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SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Sunday, 6th Mar., at 7 a.m.	
SINGAPORE & BANGKOK	"YATSHING"	Sunday, 6th Mar., at 10 a.m.	
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Monday, 7th Mar., at 1 p.m.	
SINGAPORE	"KWAISANG"	Tuesday, 8th Mar., at 3 p.m.	
CANTON	"FOOSHING"	Wednesday, 9th Mar., at 7 a.m.	
STRAITS & CALOUTTA	"LAISANG"	Thursday, 10th Mar., at 3 p.m.	
TIENTSIN	"CHEONGSHING"	Saturday, 12th Mar., at 7 a.m.	
TSINGTAU via SWATOW	"FOOSHING"	Sunday, 13th Mar., at 7 a.m.	
SHANGHAI	"KUMSANG"	Wednesday, 16th Mar., at 7 a.m.	
OSAKA via MOJI YOKO.	"HOSANG"	Thursday, 17th Mar., at 8 p.m.	
HAMA & KOBE	"HINSANG"	Saturday, 19th Mar., at Noon	
STRAITS & CALOUTTA	"CHIPSING"	Sunday, 20th Mar., at 7 a.m.	
SANDAKAN	"KUTSANG"	Wednesday, 23rd Mar., at 7 a.m.	

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Motor Vessel "GLENLUCE"	... 4th May.
Motor Vessel "GLENBEG"	... 1st June.

SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VLADIVOSTOCK.

Motor Vessel "GLENAPPE"	... Due Hong Kong.
Motor Vessel "GLENLUCE"	... 22nd March.
Steamship "CAMARTHERSHIRE"	... 31st March.
Motor Vessel "GLENBEG"	... 14th April.
Motor Vessel "GLENARA"	... 1st May.

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M.V. "ESQUILINO" ... Sails on or about 31st March

S.S. "VENEZIA" ... Sails on or about 28th April

HOMEWARDS FOR BRINDISI, VENICE AND TRIESTE

From Hong Kong

M.V. "VIMINALE" ... Sails on or about 10th March

M.V. "REMO" ... Sails on or about 5th April

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HAIPHONG	... Friday, 5th March, at 1 o'clock p.m.
HAICHING	... Friday, 11th March, at 1 p.m.

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EMPEROR OF CANADA	Mar. 30	Apr. 3	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 17
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Apr. 20	Apr. 23	Apr. 25	Apr. 28	May 6
EMPEROR OF ASIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPEROR OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPEROR OF ASIA	July 11	July 14	July 17	July 20	July 29
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Aug. 1	Aug. 4	Aug. 7	Aug. 10	Aug. 19

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MONTROSE	April 23	MONTROSE	June 24
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Apr. 10	Apr. 12	EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Apr. 16

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*TAITO MARU	Tuesday	22nd March, at Noon
*TENYO MARU	Monday	4th April

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SOUTH AMERICA via Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

ANYO MARU	Tuesday	3rd May, at Noon
BOKUYO MARU	Wednesday	8th June

MASSILLLES, LONDON, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM via Ports.

KITANO MARU	Saturday	12th March, at 11 a.m.
HARUNA MARU	Saturday	24th March
KAMO MARU	Saturday	9th April

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.

TAKETOYO MARU	Wednesday	23rd March, at 11 a.m.
AKI MARU	Wednesday	29th April

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.

TAKETOYO MARU	Friday	18th March
MATSUBASHI MARU	Saturday	25th March

LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.

TOYOHASHI MARU (calls Saigon)	Friday	11th March
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BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.

DELAGATA MARU	Monday	7th March
NAKAGATA MARU	Saturday	19th March

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

KATORI MARU	Monday	7th March
DURBAN MARU	Friday	11th March
PEIYANG MARU	Saturday	12th March
ATSUTA MARU	Tuesday	22nd March

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On or about 4th March, 1927.

Further sailings Expected on or about Will leave homeward-bound on or about

M.S. "Asia"	12th March	—
M.S. "Annam"	23rd March	—

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## Shipping News Daily Statement, Shipping Notes, etc.

## YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

HEAVY THROUGH CARGOES MANIFESTED.

## LOCAL IMPORTS LOW.

The amount of general cargoes brought into the Colony during the 24th hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday showed a decrease as compared with the previous day's return, but through cargoes showed a considerable increase.

Only 7,790 tons of general merchandise were landed here yesterday, of which 3,987 tons were discharged from four British steamers. The two best returners were Danish, 1 arrival; French, 1 arrival and 1 departure; American, 3 arrivals and 1 departure; Italian, 1 arrival.

The total number of vessels in the Harbour during 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 67, of which 24 were British.

The following were the cargo carriers:—  
S.S. Sinking (British) from Shanghai and Swatow, 250 tons general for Hong Kong and 500 tons for other ports.  
S.S. Hai Ning (British) from Foochow and Swatow, 500 tons general for Hong Kong and 50 tons for other ports.  
S.S. Kwai Sang (British) from Bangkok, 772 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. Kwangse (British) from Shanghai, 1,500 tons general for other ports.

S.S. Lok Sang (British) from Sandakan, 1,500 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. President Lincoln (American) from Los Angeles and Shanghai, 1,238 tons general for Hong Kong and 3,627 tons for other ports.

S.S. West Tiger (American) from Portland, Oregon, and Shanghai, 900 tons general for other ports.

S.S. West Prospect (American) from Los Angeles and Shanghai, 56 tons general, 232 tons kerosene and 231 tons lubricants for Hong Kong and 528 tons and 188 tons respectively for other ports.

S.S. Paul Leat (French) from Saigon, 135 tons general for Hong Kong and 2,118 tons for other ports.

M.V. Zuma (Italian) from Singapore, 529 tons general for Hong Kong and 7,698 tons for other ports.

S.S. Denmark (Danish) from Vladivostok and Shanghai, 10,290 tons general for other ports.

(Continued on next column).

## SHIPPING NOTES.

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday the total number of deck passengers entering here was 1,393.

For carrying 9 passengers in excess of his licence allowance the master of a coolie junk was fined \$5 at the Marine Court yesterday morning by Lt.-Comdr. G. F. Hoie, R.N.

The M.S. Paul Leat arriving here on Wednesday from Marseilles with a passengers' list of 137, of whom, about thirty disembarked at here. The liner later left for Shanghai with an additional batch of 12 first class passengers who had joined the ship at this port.

The S.S. Mardonia arrived here yesterday from Hong Kong with about 30 first class passengers for Hong Kong. The liner also brought 300 tons of general cargo for local discharge.

S.S. Minoda Maru (Japanese) from Hoihow, 517 tons general for Hong Kong and 4,000 tons for other ports.

S.S. Tung Lee (Chinese) from Chetoo, 180 tons general for Hong Kong and 1,500 tons for other ports.

S.S. Yun On (Chinese) from Canton, 200 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. Lee Cheong (Chinese) from Shan Mei, 20 tons general for Hong Kong.

The following vessels arrived here in ballast:—  
S.S. Tin Chow (Chinese) from Canton.

S.S. Shan Heing (Chinese) from Canton.

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## HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, March 3rd.

Barometer	29.93	30.01	30.03
Temperature	15°	51°	51°
Humidity	80	78	78
Wind	Direction	NE	Cal
Force	0	0	0
Weather	0	0	0
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

highest open-air Temperature, 2nd: 46  
Lowest open-air Temperature, 3rd: 40

B-Blue sky; C-Cloudy; D-Drizzle; F-Fog; L-Lightning; M-Mist; O-Overcast; P-Passing showers; Q-Squalls; R-Rain; T-Thunder.

## HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From March 4th to 10th, 1927.

High Water. Low Water.

Day of Week	Date	High Water	Low Water
Fri.	4	4 m 10 s	4 m 4 s
Sat.	5	5 m 10 s	5 m 4 s
Sun.	6	6 m 10 s	6 m 4 s
Mon.	7	7 m 10 s	7 m 4 s
Tues.	8	8 m 10 s	8 m 4 s
Wed.	9	9 m 10 s	9 m 4 s
Thur.	10	10 m 10 s	10 m 4 s

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\*"CAPT. FAURE" ... 15th April.

\*"SI-KIANG" ... 15th May.

... due to arrive from DUNKIRK, LONDON, HAVRE—

about the

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Steamers	Sailings from Marseilles	Arr. at Hong Kong & sailings for Shanghai and Japan	Sailings from Hong Kong for Marseilles
PORTHOS	...	...	15th Mar.
PAUL LECAT	...	...	25th Mar.
G. METZINGER	11th Feb.	16th Mar.	12th April
AMAZONE	...	...	28th April
OHEONCEAUX	11th Mar.	16th April	10th May
ATHOS II	25th Mar.	26th April	24th May

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